Preliminary Questions for Co-teachers

1. What are your expectations for students regarding participation?

2. What are your expectations for students regarding participation daily preparation? Written a

3. What are your expectations for students regarding participation assignments and/or homework completion?

4. What are your basic classroom rules? What are the consequences?

5. Typically, how are students grouped for instruction in your classroom?

6. What instructional methods do you like to use (e.g., lectures, class discussions)?

7. What practice activities do you like to use (e.g., cooperative learning groups? labs?)

8. How do you monitor and evaluate student progress?

9. Describe your typical tests and quizzes.

10. Describe other typical projects and assignments.

11. Do you differentiate instruction for students with special needs? If so, how?

12. Is any special assistance given to students with disabilities during class? On written assignments? On quizzes and tests?

13. How and when do you communicate with families?

14. What are your strengths as a teacher? What are your weaknesses? Pet peeves?

15. What do you see are our potential roles and responsibilities, co-teachers?

16. If we decide to co-teach together, what are your biggest hopes for our work as a team? What are your biggest concerns?

(Walter-Thomas, C.; Bryant, M.; & Land, S. 1996)