Lesson Plan

[Week 12] Mon, Nov 13 (No break) & Wed, Nov15

**Need: Bingo board (See if it can possibly match post-in colors), Post-its in five different colors, Bronfenbrenner handout, Readings handout: Coady, Panferov, Klingner, NYT article, Poster paper, marker

8:30-8:55	Parent involvement bingo: Group ss (5 min)
(25 min.)	Give instruction & discussion time (10 min) *Collect reflection
	Play group bingo (10 min)
8:55-9:05	Go over Bronfenbrenner theory (video: 6 min)
	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5htRhvm4iyI
(10 min)	Explain more if necessary (3-4 min)

9:05-9:25	Each group go over article and place concepts to ecological system using post-its - Group time (20 min)
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9:25-9:55	Each group share (5 min * 6 groups)
(30 min)	

Break (Semester 3: no break) 9:55-10:05

10:05-10:15	Explain; emphasis about parent communication (10 min)
(10 min)	
10:15-10:35	Brainstorm & discuss: differences between LD & SLA (3 min)
(20 min)	http://www.colorincolorado.org/webcasts/disabilities
	(0:53-11:06) (10 min)
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10:35-10:45	
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10:45-11:15	Announcement & grade review
(30 min)	Presentation prep

				
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