



TEACHER NOTES FOR INTRODUCTION AND STEPS 1-4 (of 8) FOR Basic Student Directions for Making Dreamline Banners

Introducing Dreamline

Some teachers introduce the project by asking students what they *noticed* that was interesting that day? Talk about *what we pay attention to* on a daily basis Explain that Dreamline is about helping us pay attention *what's on the inside* of us—and others—an “inside selfie.” It’s about declaring, sharing, and acting with others on what matters most.

Use these links to introduce the program:

- [dreamline website](http://dreamline.org) dreamline.org
- [gallery of student dreams](http://dreamline.org/gallery) (use Search Filters) dreamline.org/gallery
- [IMPACT blog: stories of Deamline](http://dreamline.blog) http://dreamline.blog

Begin with a discussion of personal values. First brainstorm a **group list** of *values* on a board or large paper. Use Dreamline Values List as examples → bit.ly/dlvalueslist-a . Tell students to write down **3** of the words from the group’s list that matter to them—used in Step 3.

Teacher Notes for Steps 1-4 (of 8) For Basic Student Directions Handout

STEP 1 – Making the Dream Board

Many people use old sheets and tear them to make the right size for Dreamline banners. Any flexible material you can write on will work. Use recycled paper or cardboard to go between the cloth. Its purpose is to keep the markers from coloring what’s underneath.

STEP 2 –Dreamline Banner Values

Permanent markers work well, but you can also us pens of many kinds. It’s good to use something waterproof so you can display your banners outside if you wish.

STEP 3 – Dreamline Banner Dreams

If there is time, have students write a draft on paper first and revise it. You can structure the writing any way you wish as long it includes *their* dreams to share with the world, they write their own words (no quotations), and the writing is not a contest. Everyone has something important to say.

STEP 4 – Dreamline Banner Art

You can be very creative here. In addition to markers, some people have used paints, sewing, fabric printing, etc. The only rule is stay within the 23 x 30 cm / 9 x 12 in format.

