

CHECKLIST OF GOAL ORIENTATION IN THE CLASSROOM

CHAPTER 7: GOAL ORIENTATION

Classroom Climate Elements	Mastery Goals	✓	Performance Goals	✓
Teacher focuses on...	Learning & improvement		Student performance	
Student attention focused on...	Learning process		Performance in comparison to other students	
Value lies in...	Effort, building knowledge		High ability compared to others	
Effort inspired by...	Gaining new knowledge		High grades, outperforming others	
Satisfaction elicited by...	Hard work, challenge		Outperforming others	
Success means...	Development, growth		High grades, high performance compared to others	
Errors/mistakes are...	Learning opportunities		Reason to worry	
Evaluation is...	Based on meeting standards, improvement		Norm-referenced	

Note. Adapted from Ames, C., Archer, J. (1988). Achievement goals in the classroom: students' learning strategies and motivation processes. *Journal of Educational Psychology*, 80(3), 260-267.

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A companion website for *Enhancing Adolescents' Motivation for Science*, Shumow & Schmidt, 2013