



Dear Dr. Wills,

As the CEHD's Co-coordinator of Digital Learning, I am writing this letter to share my appreciation of your participation in our CEHD Online and Blended Teaching Gaggle focused on the Strategies for Facilitating a Collaborative Learning Environment Online. In collaboration with Dr. Borup, we have organized these regular discussions for CEHD faculty to encourage the development of a community of practice around the high-quality online and blended teaching and research. During these events, we encourage faculty to share the strategies that work for them and learn from each other. Your unique expertise in synchronous environments has been invaluable. Your contributions of synchronous collaborative strategies have been an important component of the meeting success. The ideas you have shared were one-of-a-kind, informative, highly engaging and hands-on. In addition to demonstrating the strategies, you have generously shared the templates and outlines that can easily be adapted and used by our faculty for synchronous instruction. Your creativity, time, and energy are highly appreciated by all of us. We will continue to enthusiastically welcome you to contribute to our CEHD Online and Blended Teaching Gaggles in the future.

Sincerely,

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