**The 5E Learning Cycle**

* **Engage** (invitation to think about focus)
* **Explore** (investigate the topic)
* **Explain** (consider what has been learned and what it means)
* **Elaborate** (design, conduct, and analyze long-term investigations)
* **Evaluate** (demonstrate knowledge and understanding).

**What Inquiry Is and Is Not**

**Inquiry is Not:**

* “doing” a report
* an “extra” and apart from the curriculum
* letting students do “whatever they want”
* unplanned.
* where teachers do not need to know learners, content, process, or resources.

**Inquiry is:**

* “learning”
* the “heart” of the curriculum
* carefully planned for
* **where teachers need to know learners, content, processes, and resources so as to “guide” inquiry.**