



Class in Session

with Jeb Bush

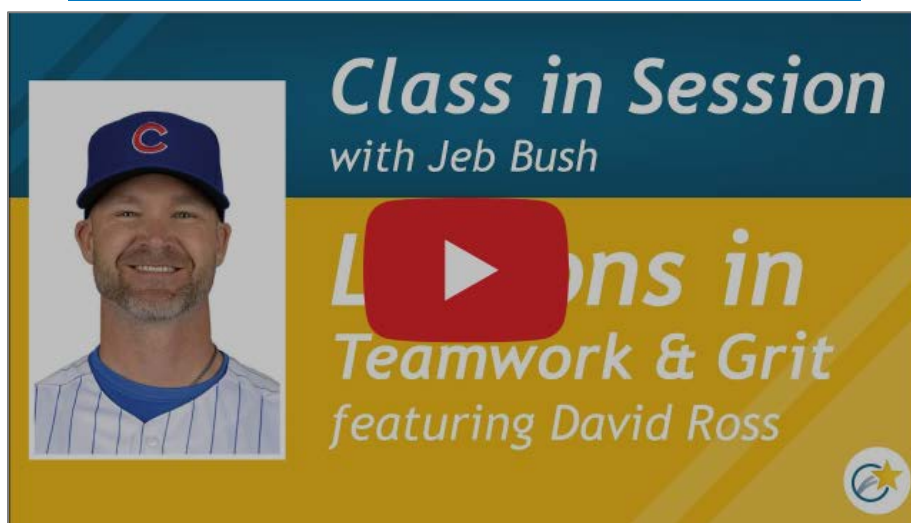
Lessons in Teamwork & Grit with David Ross

Teacher's Guide

[Class in Session with Jeb Bush](#) (#ClassWithJeb) is a series of video conversations with the visionaries of today. Created specifically for secondary school students and relevant for the classroom, these 20-minute virtual conversations—hosted by former Florida Governor Jeb Bush—draw out personal and professional experiences and, especially important, elicit advice for America's next generation from leaders across the nation.

VIDEO

[WATCH: Lessons in Teamwork & Grit with David Ross](#)



As the MLB Cubs Manager, David Ross shares his insights on how the perseverance needed to excel in sports can benefit students beyond the diamond. Ross reflects on the importance of teamwork in reaching a shared goal as well as the leadership skills needed to guide a team and individual players to reach their full potential.

PROMPTS FOR STUDENTS

As you watch the video, think about the following:

- What values did David's family and community instill in him?
- What did David learn from playing for different teams?
- Who was David's favorite manager and why?
- What is "range" and why is it important?
- How did David respond to receiving criticism?
- What are important attributes in a manager and a leader?



ASSIGNMENTS FOR STUDENTS

Choose one of the following assignments in response to the video [Lessons in Teamwork & Grit with David Ross](#).

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EXPLORE

Read this excerpt from the book [RANGE: Why Generalists Triumph in a Specialized World](#).

Watch a clip of a game where your favorite sports team showed true teamwork. Consider the individual talents that contribute to making the team great.

What is your dream job? Identify a path (education, training, etc.) to reach that position.

DISCUSS

Discuss one of the following questions with someone:

- What values have your family and community help instilled in you?
- What characteristics make a good leader?
- When and how do you think major sports (such as MLB) should come back after COVID-19? How can teams/stadiums help to keep players and fans safe?
- What is your favorite sport to play and why? Is it different from your favorite sport to watch?
- What helps to motivate you in challenging situations?

WRITE

Select one of the following writing prompts:

- Write about a time you received criticism and how you reacted. How did the criticism impact you and what did you learn from it? (1-2 pages)
- Research the qualities of strong leaders. Write about what leadership qualities you possess and which ones you should work on developing. (1-2 pages)
- What is character? How would you describe your character? Would your family and friends agree with you? (1-2 pages)

ILLUSTRATE

Choose one of the following prompts to create a piece of art, produce a video, write a song or create a dance. Send a photo or video to Jeb@ExcelinEd.org.

- If you arrive on time, you are late
- "People that really love you tell you the truth"
- Being a strong competitor
- Reframe your thinking