



**Rubric For Evaluating Circle Plan**

	Yes	No	Somewhat
<b>Goal</b>			
Do you have a clear stated goal for your circle?			
<b>Theme</b>			
Does your circle have a theme?			
Does the theme carry through the circle?			
<b>Opening</b>			
Do you have an opening?			
Does your opening reflect the theme of the circle?			
Will your opening set the right tone for the type of circle you have planned?			
<b>Check-in</b>			
Will your check-in take the pulse of the group and help you understand what it is you want to know about how the students are feeling at that moment?			
<b>Guidelines</b>			
Do you have a round that addresses guidelines?			
<b>Rounds</b>			
Do your round questions reflect and tie back to the theme of the circle?			
Are your questions clear?			
Are your questions non-threatening?			

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Do your questions invite participants to tell stories?			
<b>Closing</b>			
Does your closing tie up the theme?			
<b>General</b>			
Will your circle leave students wanting more?			
Consider the time. Each time you pass the talking piece estimate 10 minutes for it to go around. Will your circle be possible in the time you have?			

How can I improve this circle?