Supporting Behavior Across Home and School



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Agenda

Introduction

What is PBIS?

Importance of Working Together

Identifying Values

Teach Expectations

Acknowledge



Why Develop a System for Teaching Behavior?

For a child to *learn something new*, it needs to be repeated on average how many times? (Joyce and Showers, 2006)

Adults average? (Joyce and Showers, 2006)

For a child to *unlearn* an old behavior and replace with a new behavior, the new behavior must be repeated on average how many times? (Harry Wong)

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Rethinking Discipline: Behavior Change...

Is an instructional process

We change STUDENT behavior by changing

ADULT behavior

Interventions = changes in staff procedures & practices

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Food for Thought...

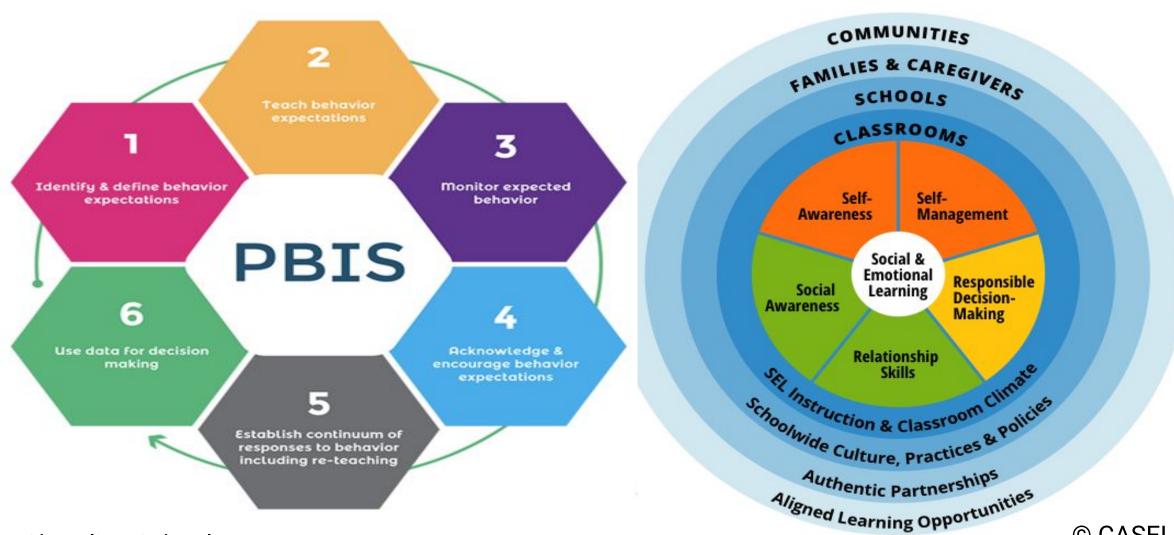
- If a child doesn't know how to read, we teach.
- If a child doesn't know how to swim, we teach.
- If a child doesn't know how to multiply, we teach.
- If a child doesn't know how to drive, we teach.
- If a child doesn't know how to behave, we... teach? punish?

Why can't we finish the last sentence as automatically as we do the others?

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Consistency Matters Common Vision/Expectations SCHOOL COMMUNITY Common Common **Practices** Language

(USDOE OSEP PBIS TA Center, 2010)



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Teaching Strategy 1: Explicitly Teach & Break it Down

Define for example, Be Responsible

"Clear the table after dinner"

What does that mean?

Child's spot only or everyone's? Clear dishes only or everything used for dinner? Catsup? Used napkins? Wipe up crumbs? Put leftovers away?

Where? How?

Dishes in sink? In dishwasher?

Used napkins in garbage?

Rinse the dishcloth after wiping up crumbs?

Leftovers in fridge?

Teach in the environment you want to see the behavior used!

Sample Schoolwide Matrix

School-wide Expectations	Incorporate Social-emotional Competencies					
	All Settings	Hallways	Lunch	Bus	Online	
Respect	Be on time. Assume positive intent.	Walk to the right. Use level 2 voice volume.	Invite those sitting alone to join.	Stay in my seat.	Consider feelings of others before I post. Be an upstander —speak up when I see unsafe behavior.	
Achieving and Organized	Hands and feet to self. Help/share with others.	Walk directly to my designated area.	Have a lunch plan. Choose quiet or social lunch area. Invite friends to join.	Have a plan. Use headphones to listen to music.	Check my feelings before I post. Re-read message before I post.	
Responsible	Recycle. Be prepared.	Pick up litter. Maintain physical space.	Use my breathing technique. Listen to my signals.	Watch for my stop. Use level 1 voice.	Double check sources before I post. Think before I forward. Barrett, et. al; 2018	

Setting Clear Behavior
Expectations
Supports routine
Improves behavior
Enhances climate
Helps with goal setting
Reduces anxiety

	Before School	Meal Time	Homework
Be Responsible	Wake up on time Eat breakfast	Clear the table	Check planner Complete assignment
Be Respectful	Use quiet voice Be ready on time	Turn off cell phone Listen when others talk	Listen to suggestions
Be Safe	Wear helmet/ seatbelt	Keep legs of chair on the floor	Hang up backpack

Sample					
	Getting Ready for School	At Meal Time	Screen Time	Homework Time	Bed Time
Value 1: Have Integrity	Eat breakfast and get dressed before playing.	Make balanced choices.	Turn off the TV when time is up.	Do your nightly reading.	Leave toys out of your bed.
Value 2: Be Compassionate	Listen to others' points of view on getting out of the house on time.	Sit until everyone is finished.	Let others pick shows, too.	Share larger project assignments as soon as they are assigned.	Solve it if you can (changing into cooler PJs, going to the bathroom).
Value 3: Be Respectful	Follow directions the first time when it's time to get ready to leave.	Listen when others are speaking.	Pause the TV when someone is speaking to you.	Use a calming strategy when frustrated.	Allow others to calm their bodies and get sleep.
Value 4: Be Responsible	Make sure your folder is in your backpack.	Clear your plate from the table.	Get reading done before turning the TV on.	Share anything in your folder with parent.	Calm your body during stories and songs.

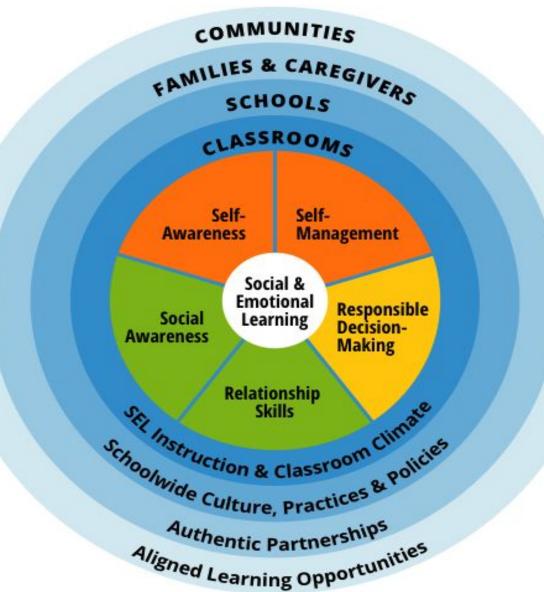
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Value 2:					
Value 3:					
Value 4:					
Value 5:					

We are apt to forget that children watch examples better than they listen to preaching. Roy L. Smith

Teaching Strategy 2: Model

Helpful when wanting your child to:

- Demonstrate a particular skill
- Demonstrate a particular way of communicating
- Learn skills in coping with frustration, anxiety, or other big feelings
- Learn the steps to solve a problem:



Teaching Strategy 3: Think-Aloud

Helpful when wanting your child to:

- Recognize what triggers or upsets them.
- Learning to weigh the pros and cons of a choice
- Go through the steps of difficult decision making
- Teach hidden rules
- Attend to nonverbal cues and perspective taking
- Learn strategies for flexibility



Teaching Strategy 4: "I Do, We Do, You Do"



Provide Reminders, Acknowledge Effort

Provide Reminders

For example, when the meal is over, giving student a reminder, "Please clear the table before __."

Offer clear, calm redirection

"Please come back and clear the table."

Acknowledge effort

5X's more positive

Focus first on effort & progress, then on effort & accuracy.

Be specific about behavior

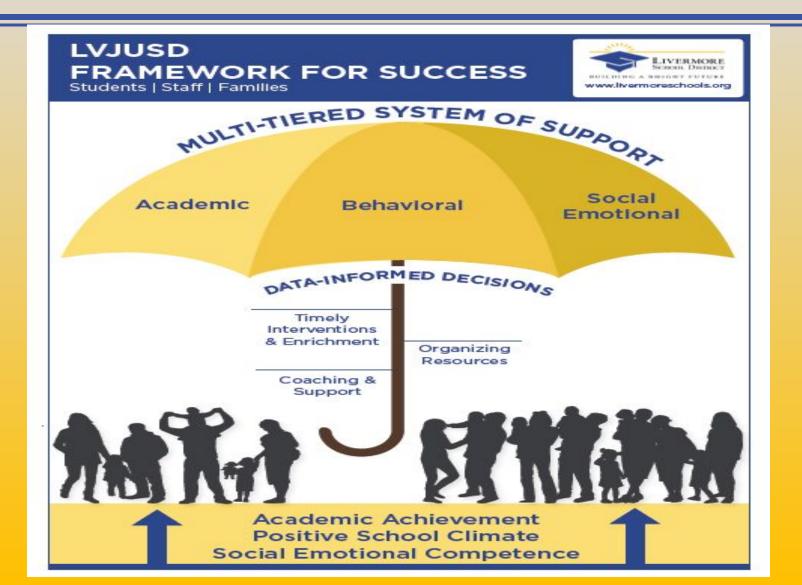
"Thank you for clearing the table and putting the dishes in the sink."

Consider connecting to core values.

Care for the Caregiver

- Give yourself grace!
- Take time for yourself- schedule it in like an appointment!
- Model self-care
- It's okay to let your child know when you need a moment or need time to think before answering.
- It's okay to ask for help!

Questions?



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