

Equity Matters: Addressing Discipline

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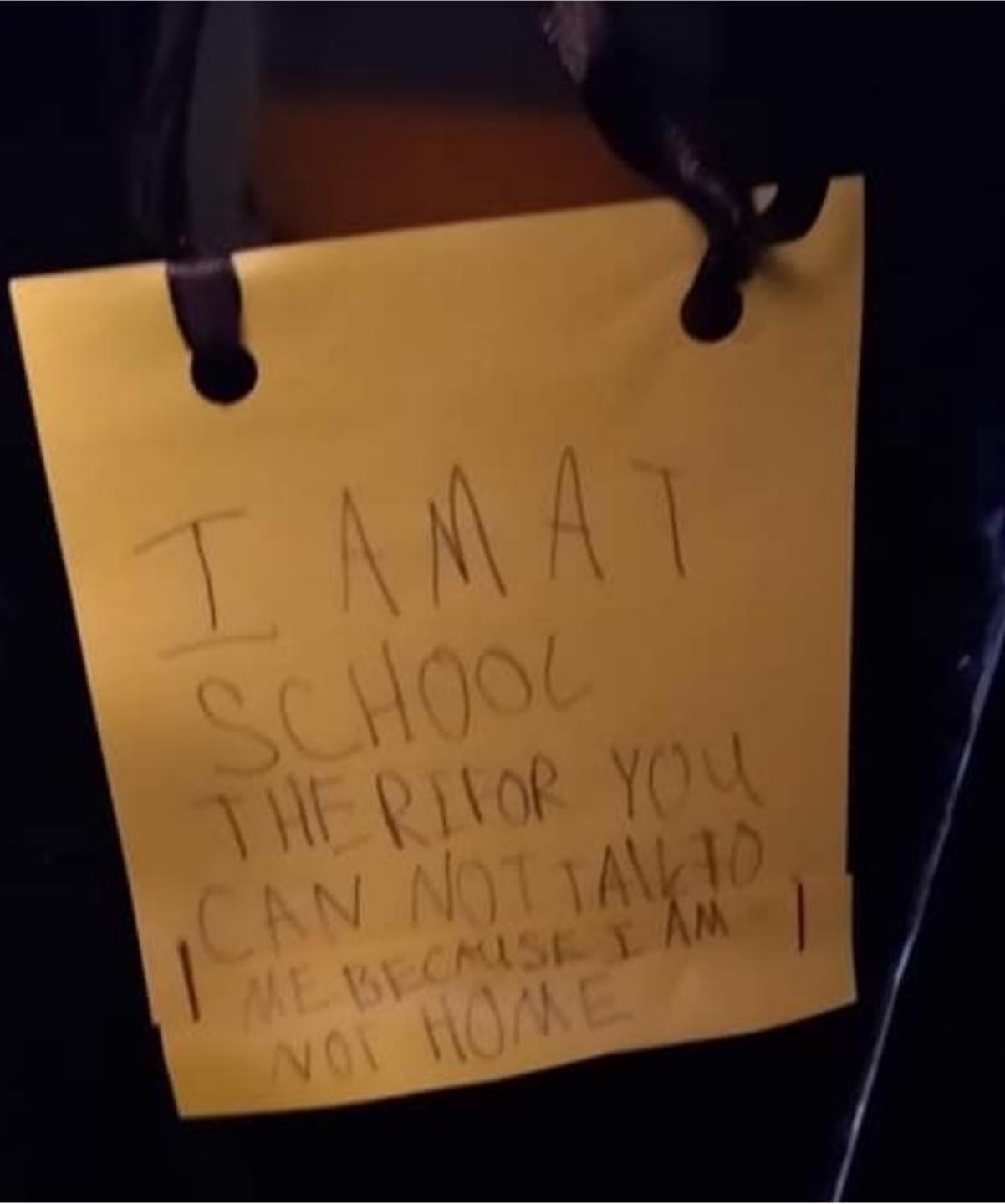
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“Everyone believes that to be a good teacher all you need is to love to teach,

but no one believes that to be a good surgeon all you need is to love to cut.”

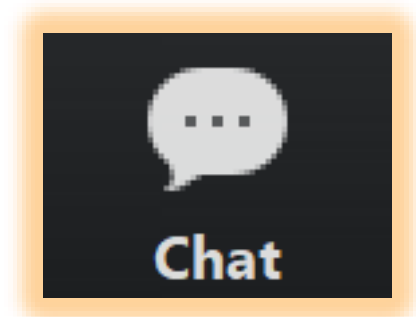
- Adam Urbanski, AFT





But some students and families thrived.

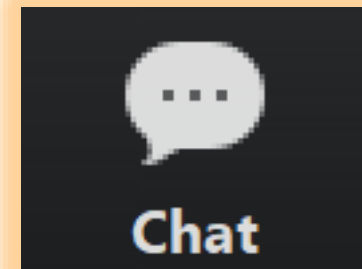
Why do you think that was the case?





And some schools were more able to manage than others.

What do you think made the difference?



Superheroes and Systems



“That’s me!”

- How many of you...
 1. Work primarily with students and their families?
 2. Work primarily as school administrators?
 3. Work primarily at the district level?
 4. Work primarily at the state level?

“That’s me!”

- How many of you...
 1. Work primarily in early childhood?
 2. Work primarily in elementary schools?
 3. Work primarily in middle schools?
 4. Work primarily in high schools?

Overview of Today's Session

1. Share **effects of PBIS** on disciplinary equity
2. Introduce an **equity-focused PBIS approach**
3. Share **strategies** for making school-wide behavior support systems more culturally responsive

Handouts: <http://www.pbis.org>

How do I complete activities and action planning?

■ OPTIONS...

- ☐ Use your own classroom
- ☐ Work as a team regarding one school
- ☐ Work as a district team
- ☐ Follow along with another team

Your Own Action Plan!



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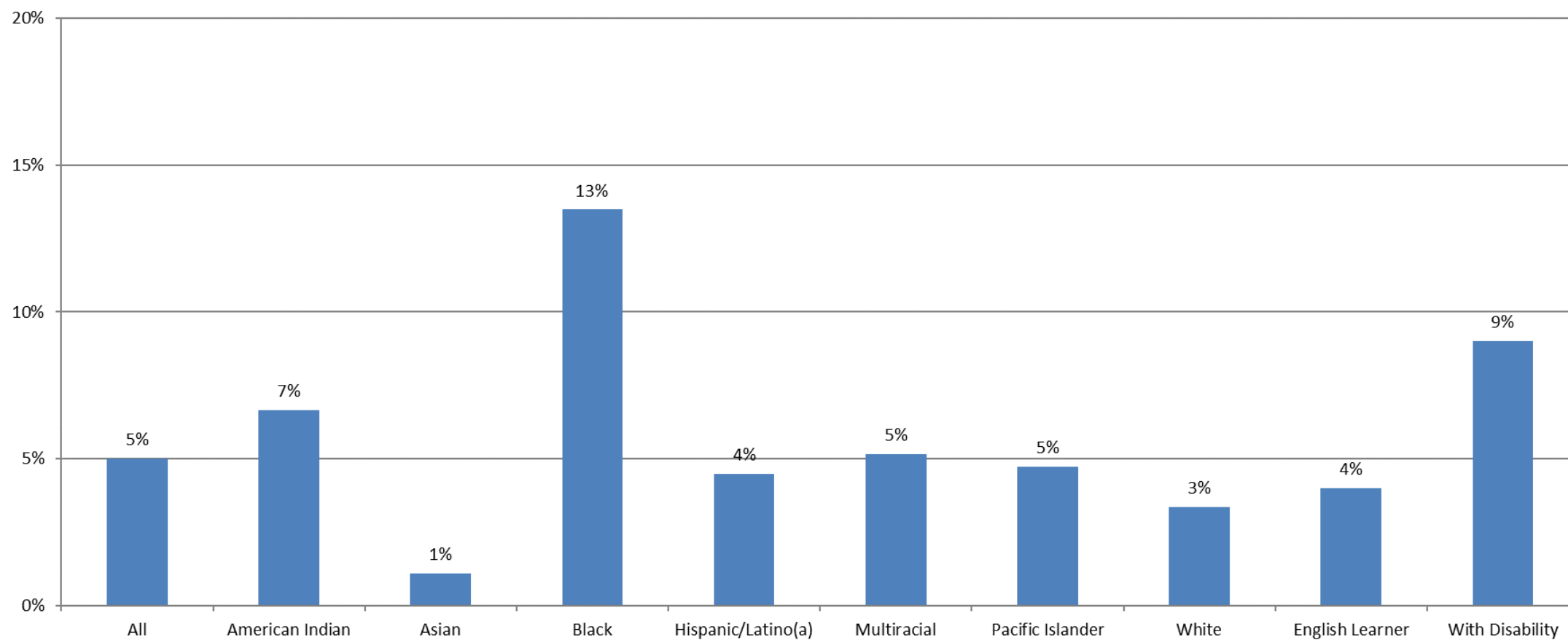
- Chat with me throughout
- Speak what is true to you
- Make no assumptions except good intentions
- Get comfortable with discomfort

(Adapted from Singleton, 2015)



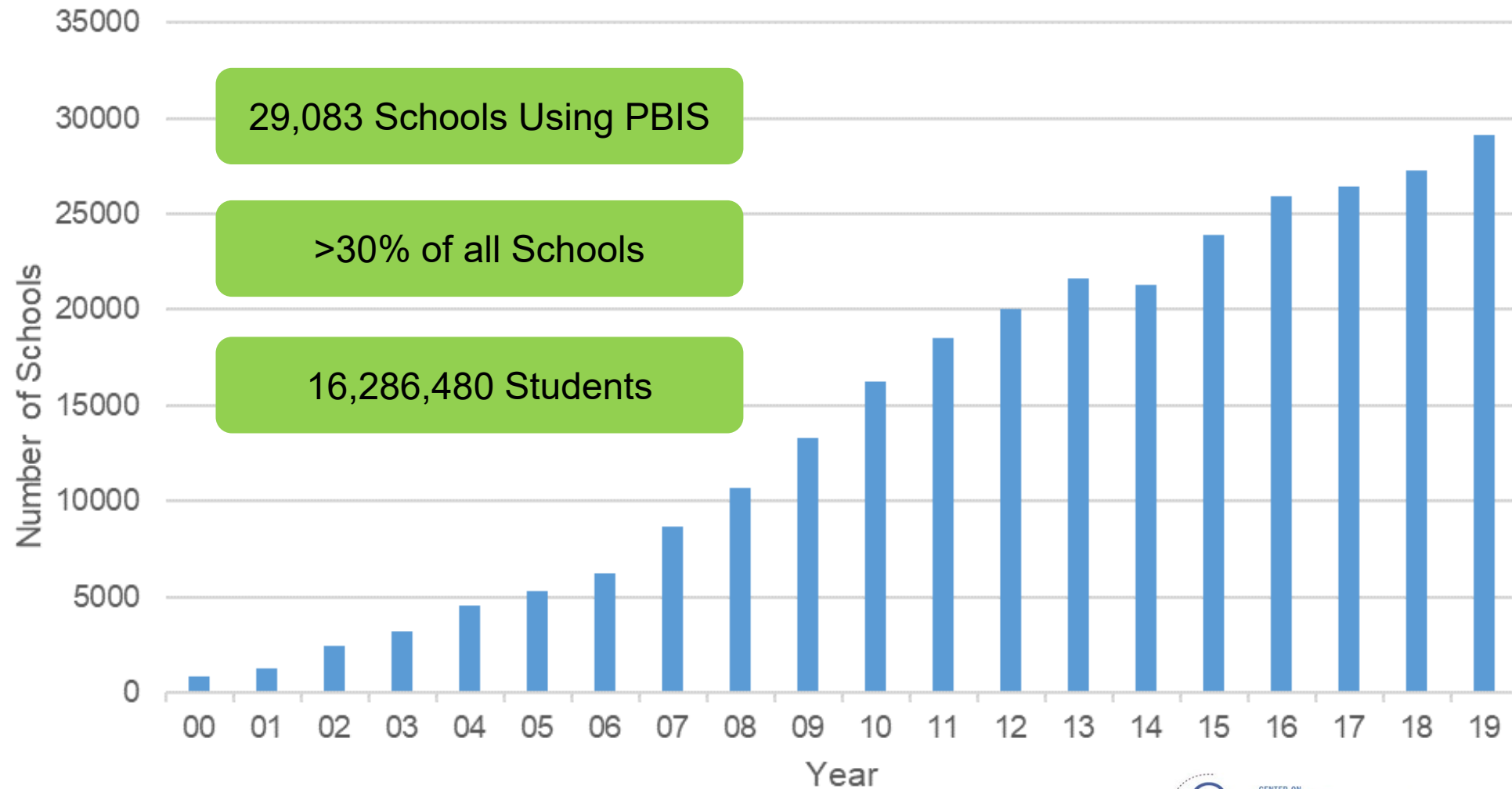
Disproportionality in School Discipline

Out of School Suspension Risk Index
2013-14 US Schools (n = 95,507)



U.S. Schools Using PBIS

August 2020



Statistically Significant Outcomes of PBIS

- **Reduced use of exclusionary discipline**

(Bradshaw, Mitchell, & Leaf, 2010; Flannery et al., 2014; Gage et al., 2018; Horner et al., 2005; Metzler et al., 2001; Nelson, 1996; Nelson et al., 2002; Solomon et al., 2012)

- **Increased prosocial behavior**

(Metzler, Biglan, Rusby, & Sprague, 2001; Nelson et al., 2002)

- **Improved emotional regulation**

(Bradshaw et al., 2012)

- **Improved academic achievement**

(Horner et al., 2009; Lassen, Steele, & Sailor, 2006; Nelson et al., 2002)

- **Improved perceptions of school safety**

(Horner et al., 2009)

- **Improved organizational health**

(Bradshaw et al., 2008)

Statistically Significant Outcomes of High School PBIS

- **Reduced use of exclusionary discipline**

(Bradshaw et al., in press; Flannery et al., 2014; Freeman et al., 2015a)

- **Reduced alcohol and other drug use**

(Bastable et al., 2015)

- **Improved attendance**

(Flannery et al., 2020; Freeman et al., 2015b)

- **Improved student engagement**

(Flannery et al., 2020)



“If you ran a hospital, but you were only known for serving people who are healthy, well, then you wouldn’t be a very good hospital.”

- Pedro Noguera

How well are
we serving
all students?



**Equity is a
Tier 1 issue.**

Effects of PBIS on Equity in School Discipline

<https://www.pbis.org/topics/equity>

Do Schools Implementing SWPBIS Have Decreased Racial and Ethnic Disproportionality in School Discipline?

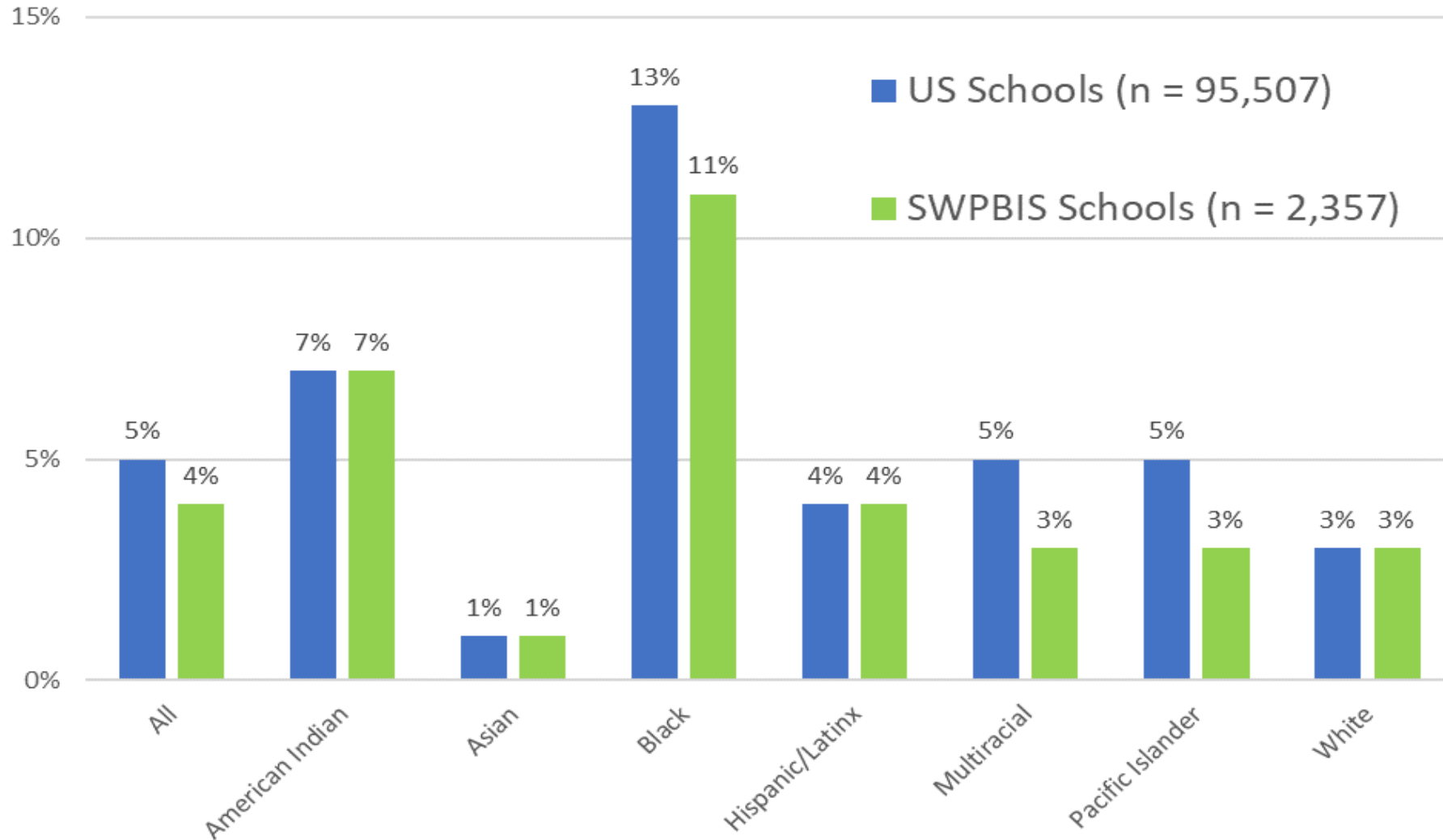
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Racial and ethnic disproportionality in school discipline is an enduring and wide-scale problem facing schools in the United States (Skiba et al., 2011). Students of color, particularly Black/African American, Hispanic/Latinx, and Native American students, have been shown to be up to 4 times more likely to be suspended than White students (Balfanz, Byrnes, & Fox, 2015; Losen et al., 2015). These findings are especially concerning because receipt of suspensions is associated with negative student outcomes (American Academy of Pediatrics Council on School Health, 2013), including lower academic achievement (Davis & Jordan, 1994), future disciplinary action (Arcia, 2006; Mendez & Knoff, 2003), and future juvenile justice involvement (Fabelo et al., 2011). In response to these disparities, educators are seeking effective approaches to reduce racial disproportionality in school disciplinary outcomes (Skiba & Losen, 2016).

One common approach to reduce the overall use of exclusionary discipline is school-wide positive behavioral interventions and supports (SWPBIS). SWPBIS is a multi-tiered framework implemented in over 25,000 schools for supporting the implementation of evidence-based practices within schools to improve social and learning environments for students (Center on Positive

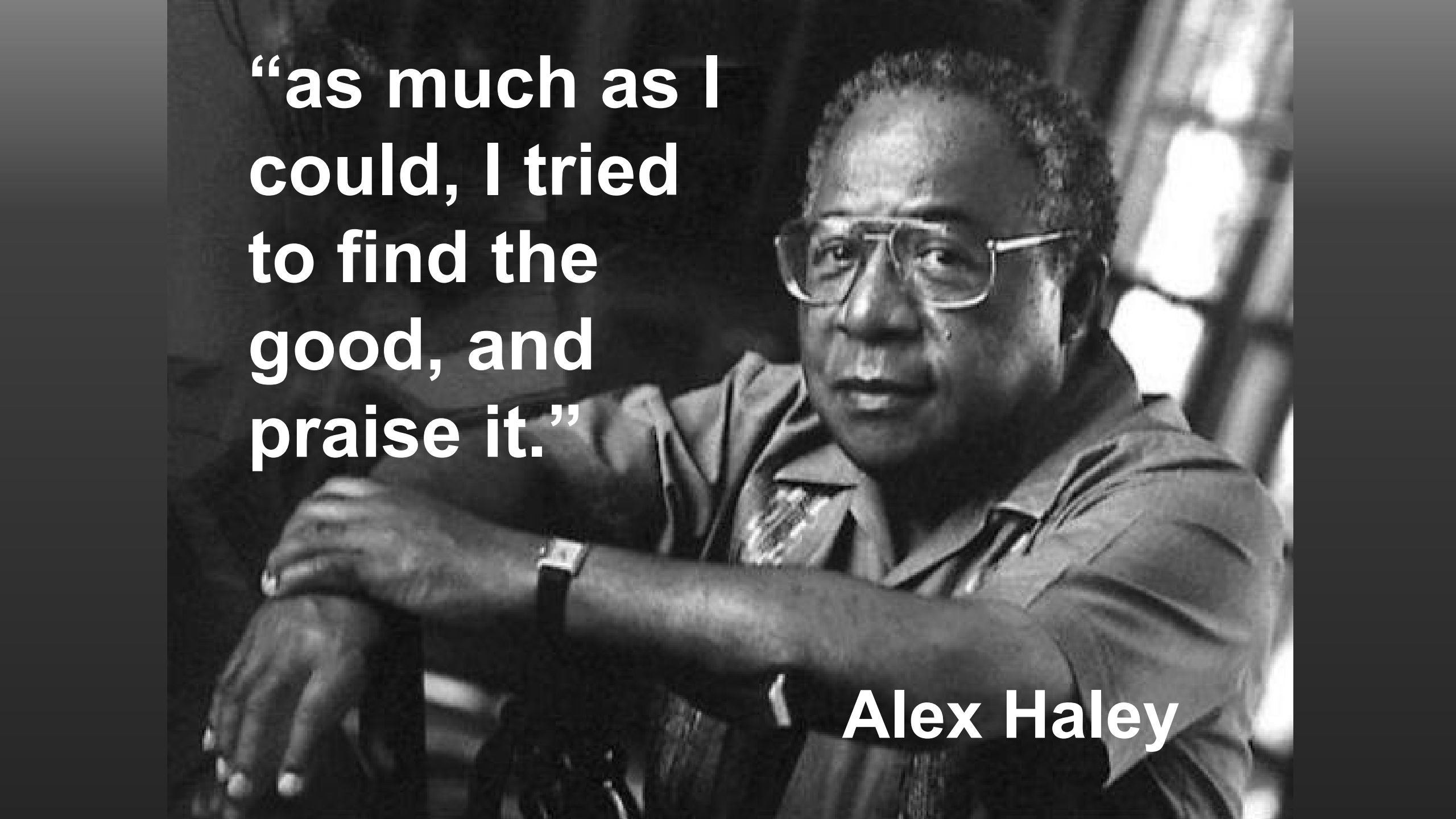
Behavioral Interventions and Supports, 2018; Horner & Sugai, 2015). SWPBIS focuses on improving behavior by teaching students prosocial skills and redesigning school environments to discourage problem behaviors (Sugai & Horner, 2006). Multiple trials have shown that SWPBIS significantly reduces both antisocial behavior of students and the use of exclusionary discipline by school personnel

Effects of PBIS on Racial Equity in School Discipline



Which PBIS features are most predictive of racial equity in school discipline?

- Significant predictors of decreased disproportionality:
 - **Regular use of data for decision making**
(Tobin & Vincent, 2011)
 - **Implementation of classroom PBIS systems**
(Tobin & Vincent, 2011)
 - **Use of formal reward systems**
(Barclay, Castillo, & Kincaid, in press; Tobin & Vincent, 2011)

A black and white photograph of Alex Haley. He is an older man with short, dark hair, wearing glasses and a light-colored, short-sleeved button-down shirt. He is leaning forward with his arms crossed, resting his head on his hands. The background is dark and out of focus, showing some vertical lines that might be part of a structure or window. The lighting is dramatic, highlighting his face and hands.

**“as much as I
could, I tried
to find the
good, and
praise it.”**

Alex Haley

A 5-point Intervention Approach to Enhance Equity in School Discipline

<https://www.pbis.org/topics/equity>

A 5-Point Intervention Approach for Enhancing Equity in School Discipline

Kent McIntosh, Erik J. Girvan, Robert H. Horner, Keith Smolkowski, & George Sugai

Discipline disproportionality is one of the most significant problems in education today (Gregory, Skiba, & Noguera, 2010; U.S. Government Accountability Office, 2013). The results of decades of research consistently show that students of color, particularly African American students (and even more so for African American boys and those with disabilities), are at significantly increased risk for receiving exclusionary discipline practices, including office discipline referrals and suspensions (e.g., Fabelo et al., 2011; Girvan et al., in press; Losen & Gillespie, 2012). These differences have been found consistently across geographic regions and cannot be adequately explained by the correlation between race and poverty (Noltemeyer & McLoughlin, 2010; Morris & Perry, 2016). Given the negative effects of exclusionary discipline on a range of student outcomes (American Academy of Pediatrics Council on School Health, 2013), educators must address this issue by identifying rates of discipline disproportionality, taking steps to reduce it, and monitoring the effects of intervention on disproportionality. Disproportionality in exclusionary discipline blocks us from the overall objective of promoting positive outcomes for every student.

Components of Effective Intervention to Prevent and Reduce Disproportionality

No single strategy will be sufficient to produce substantive and sustainable change. Multiple components may be needed, but not all components may be necessary in all schools. We describe here a 5-point multicomponent approach to reduce disproportionality in schools.

1. Collect, Use, and Report Disaggregated Discipline Data

Any school or district committed to reducing disproportionality should adopt data systems that allow disaggregation of student data by race /ethnicity and provide instantaneous access to these data for both school and district teams. Some discipline data systems for entering and analyzing office discipline referrals

5-point Intervention Approach

1. Collect, use, and report **disaggregated** discipline data
2. Implement a **behavior framework** that is preventive, multi-tiered, and culturally responsive
3. Use engaging **academic instruction** to reduce the opportunity (achievement) gap
4. Develop **policies** with accountability for disciplinary equity
5. Teach strategies to **neutralize implicit bias**

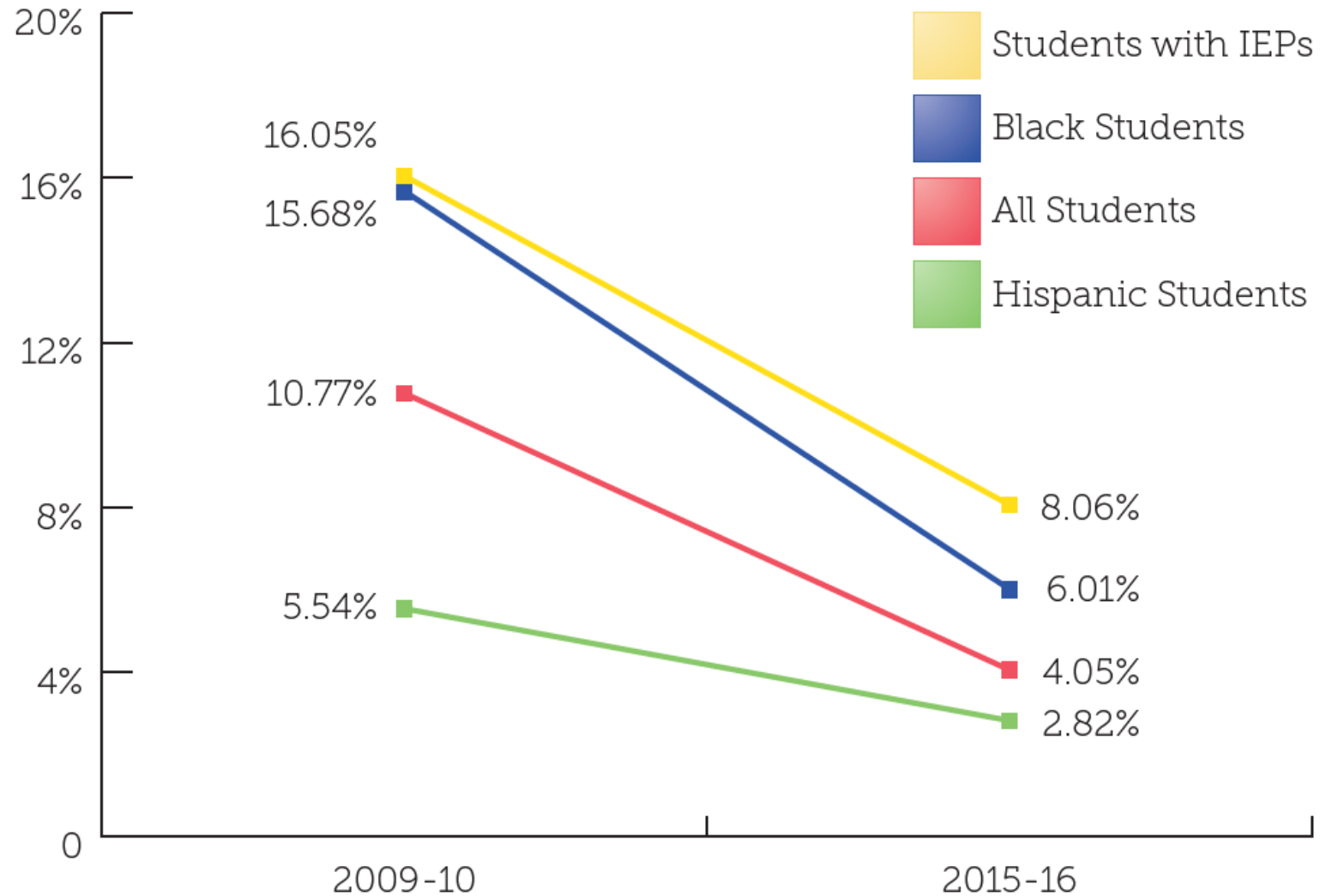
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Effects of Equity-focused PBIS on Racial Equity in School Discipline

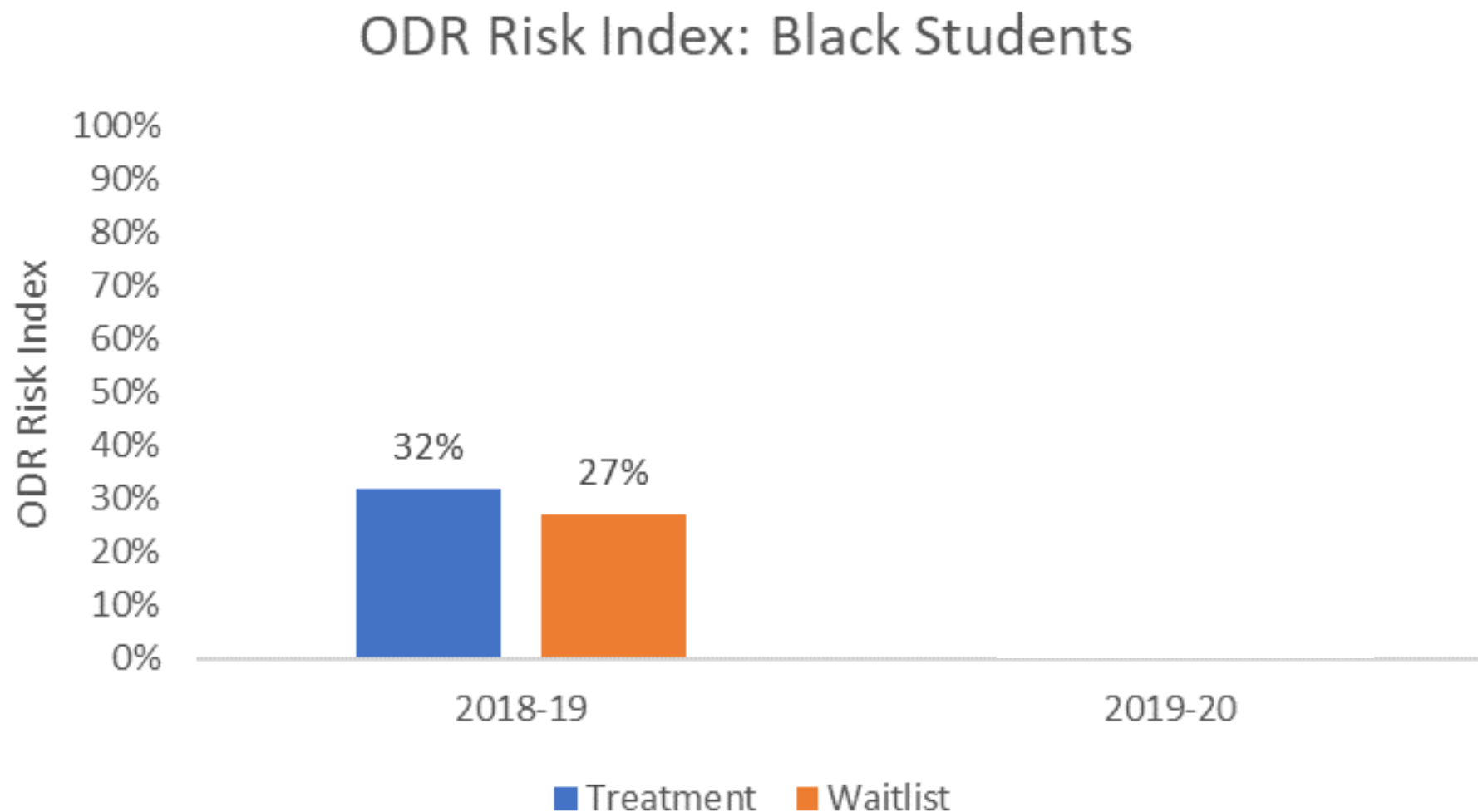
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- McIntosh et al., 2018
- McIntosh et al., 2021
- McIntosh et al., in press
- Muldrew & Miller, 2021
- Payno-Simmons, 2021
- Swain-Bradway et al., 2019

Effects of PBIS on Out of School Susps

(WI Schools Implementing PBIS; Swain-Bradway et al., 2019)



Equity-focused PBIS RCT Outcomes



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Ask the Audience

- What 1 to 3 words would you use to describe

Cultural Responsiveness?

Cultural Responsiveness according to Geneva Gay

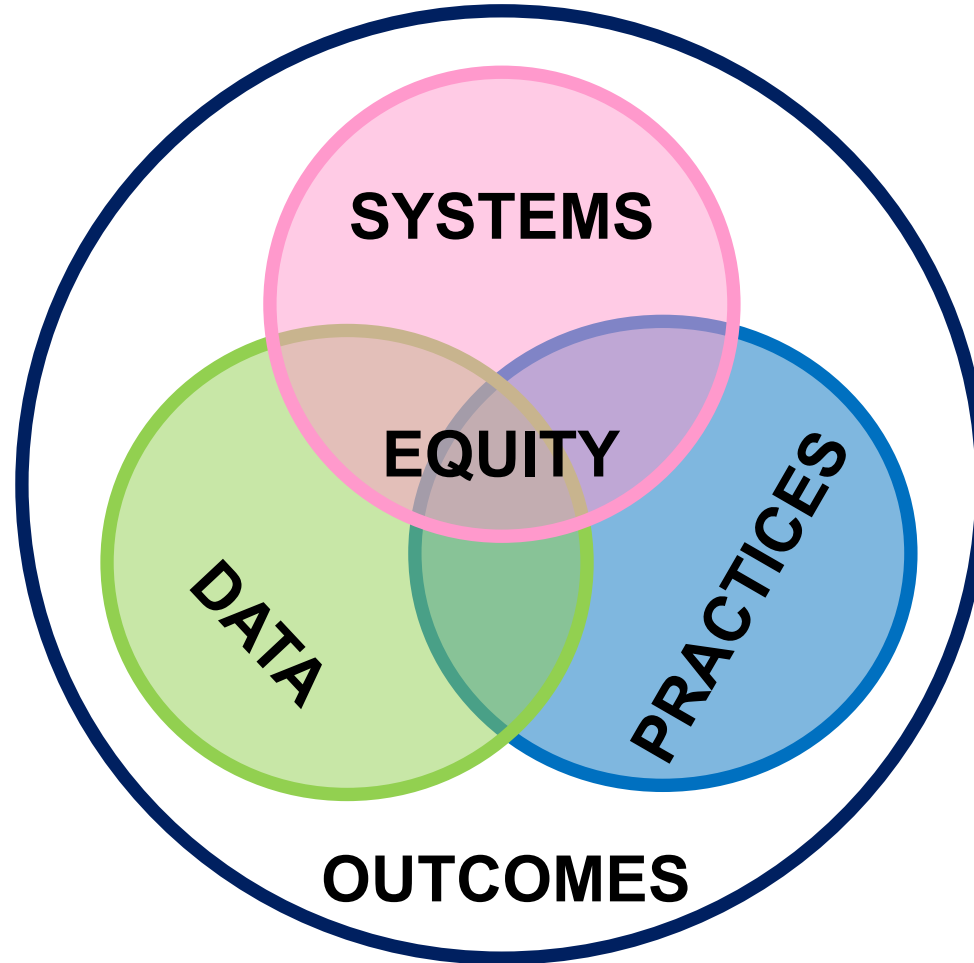
“Using the cultural knowledge, prior experiences, frames of reference, and performance styles of ethnically diverse students to make learning encounters more relevant to and effective for them. It teaches to and through the strengths of these students.”



PBIS Elements

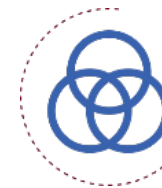
Support Educators
through Equity-focused PD

Disaggregate
All Data by
Student Group



Adapt
Practices
to Meet
Needs
and Values

High Expectations
for Each Student



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Interventions & Supports

Start with a Team...

■ Needs

- ☐ Representative membership
- ☐ Administrator support
- ☐ Regular meeting times
- ☐ Roles, schedules, agenda

■ Options

- ☐ Equity Team
- ☐ MTSS/PBIS Team
- ☐ School Climate Team
- ☐ School/District Leadership Team



PBIS Cultural Responsiveness Field Guide

(Leverson et al., 2021)

■ Three sections:

1. Identity awareness
2. TFI Cultural Responsiveness Companion
3. Appendices

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PBIS CULTURAL RESPONSIVENESS FIELD GUIDE:

Resources for Trainers
and Coaches

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CORE PRACTICES of school-wide PBIS

1. DEFINE

school-wide expectations (i.e., social competencies)

2. TEACH & PRACTICE

expectations

3. ACKNOWLEDGE

prosocial behavior

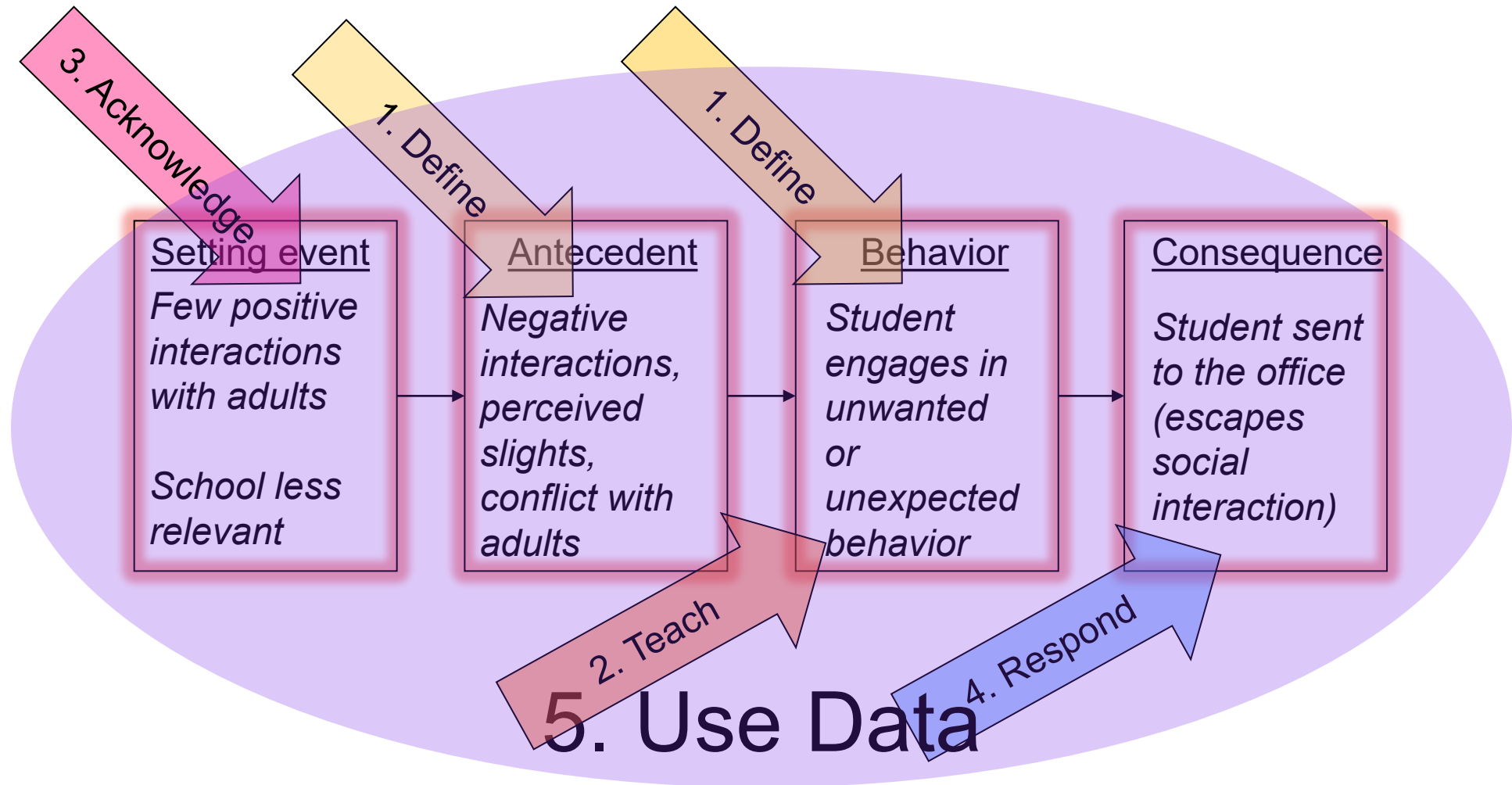
4. RESPOND INSTRUCTIONALLY

to unwanted behavior

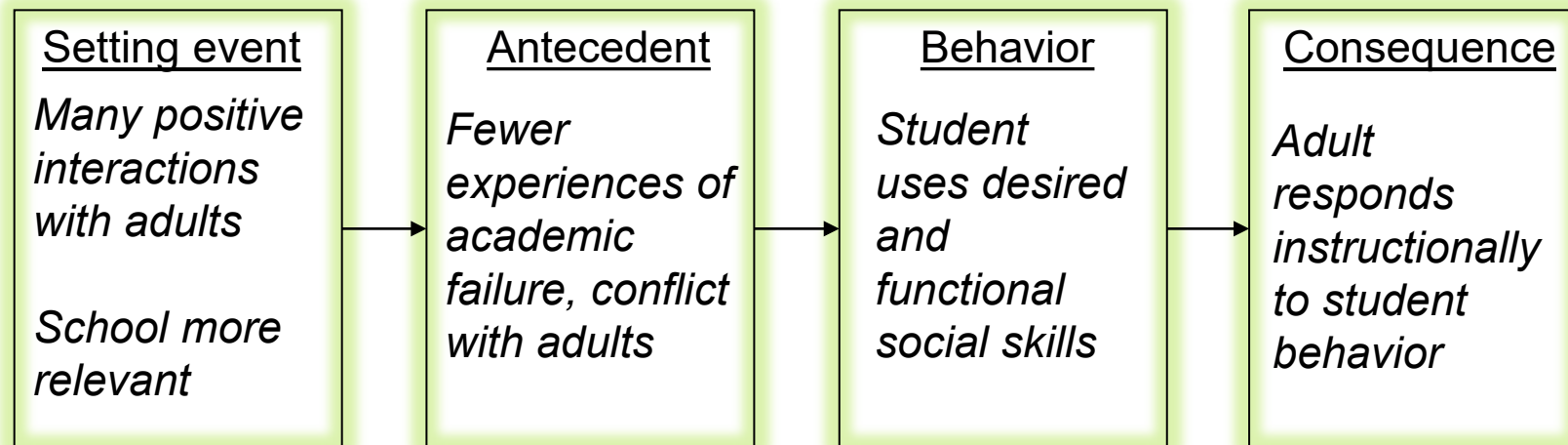
5. MAKE DECISIONS

based on data

Coercive Cycle of Inequities



Constructive Cycle of Increasing Equity



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**NO
FIREWORKS**

**NO
COMING WITHIN
6 FEET**

Absolutely
NO
Fireworks

Absolutely
NO
**Coming Within
6 Feet**

CORE PRACTICES of school-wide PBIS

1. DEFINE

Prairie Mountain Lineamientos

Somos Prudente



Somos Respetosos

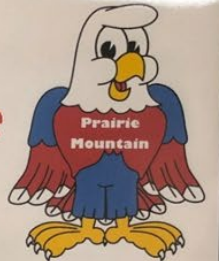
Hacemos nuestro
mejor esfuerzo
personal



En todos lados □ Todo el tiempo

Prairie Mountain Guidelines

We Are Safe



We Are Respectful

We Do Our
Personal Best



Everywhere • All the Time

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CRITICAL FEATURES of EFFECTIVE SCHOOL-WIDE EXPECTATIONS

- Small number (2-5)
- Memorable
- Broad (*Cover all expected behaviors*)
- Positively stated
- Culturally relevant

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ALTERNATIVES to “EXPECTATIONS”

You might prefer to
call them...

- Values
- Agreements
- The Thunderbird Way

REFLECTS THE CULTURE

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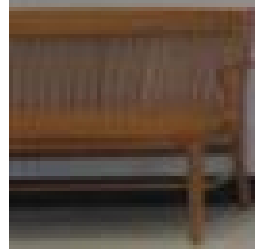
THE BULL DOG WAY

RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

RELATIONSHIPS

ADMINISTRATION



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The important parts:

They have all of the
critical features:

- 2-5
- Memorable
- Broad
- Positively stated
- Culturally relevant

Adults use the words
regularly

Cheetah PRIDE Students are ...

- PAW SAFE
- PAW RESPECTFUL
- PAW able to FOLLOW DIRECTIONS

Ensure expectations are helpful beyond school!

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MENU OF ADAPTATIONS

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(p. 52)*

*Examine expectations and
matrices for fit (p. 39)*

Obtain **student input**

- Surveys (e.g., FIS)
- Blank matrix (p. 40)
- Rules gallery walk (p. 40)
- Equity advisory board

Obtain **family input**

- Use school events
- Surveys (e.g., FIS)
- Family focus groups

Elements of Culture

Staff PD Activity

- 25-30 min.
- Reflect on norms (unwritten rules or customs for behavior of groups)



Elements of Culture	My norms growing up	My norms now	Our school norms	How my students & families might be different	How these differences might create conflict
Use of profanity (example)	<i>No swearing, especially around adults</i>	<i>OK with friends outside of work, none at work or with family</i>	<i>Swearing in general = warning, swearing at someone = ODR</i>	<i>Swearing might be acceptable to convey strong emotion</i>	<i>Students and families may be viewed as disrespectful when they have strong feelings</i>
Appropriate personal space					
Appropriate voice level					
Appropriate dress					

Determine based on your school's data!

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Appropriate dress					
Appropriate voice level					
Appropriate personal space					
Appropriate response to insults					

Activity: Think-Pair-Share



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1. Complete all 4 elements (rows) on your own (10 min.)
2. Discuss your responses (in chat)
 1. Share a row
 2. Discuss a personal “a-ha”
 3. Discuss how you might use information from this activity
- How clear are you on the directions?

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Appropriate voice level					
Appropriate personal space					
Appropriate learning space					

Discussion Points

- What has changed in your norms over time?
- How might your norms differ from those of your students?
- How do we identify what the school norms are?

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Expectations and Matrix Review


School Leadership Team Activity



Low-tech “Poll”

1. How involved were students and families in determining your school-wide expectations?
 1. Not at all/don't have/don't care
 2. Provided approval after creation
 3. Provided formative input before selection
 4. Provide yearly input into expectations

Resources and Examples

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EXPECTATIONS AND MATRIX REVIEW

WHAT IS IT?

An process designed for school teams to assess their existing school-wide expectations and matrix for alignment with critical features and for fit with students, families, the community, and staff values.

RESOURCES FOR IMPLEMENTATION


- Activities
 - See pp. 32-34 of the PBIS Cultural Responsiveness Field Guide (<https://www.pbis.org/resource/pbis-cultural-responsiveness-field-guide-resources-for-trainers-and-coaches>)
- PowerPoint slides
 - PPT slides <https://www.dropbox.com/s/y3nczsqpy630bt/Matrix%20Examination%20%28PPT%20Slides%20%28mm-eb-0002%20-0>
 - PPT video tutorial: https://youtu.be/aQsr_gGeyfU (7:47 min)
- Worksheet for examining your school-wide matrix (to be used with slides/video tutorial)
 - <https://www.dropbox.com/s/a894cddbrhrg1bn/Matrix%20Examination%20Activity%202018-9-19.pdf?dl=0>
- Examples of school-wide matrices
 - See 30-31 of the PBIS Cultural Responsiveness Field Guide (<https://www.pbis.org/resource/pbis-cultural-responsiveness-field-guide-resources-for-trainers-and-coaches>)

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Appendix D: School-wide Expectations and Matrix Examination Activity

In SWPBIS, a core feature is to define and teach a set of positively stated expectations for all students across the various settings in the school. Creating a clear set of expectations provides language to create consistency and make explicit the hidden curriculum (i.e., unnamed assumptions about how students should behave).

This activity is intended for school teams to examine their existing school-wide expectations and matrix for their alignment with critical features and fit with students, families, the community, and staff (Note: if schools have no existing expectations or matrices, they can skip to Step 4).

Step 1: Identify Any Existing Expectations or Matrices

Find expectations, matrices, or rules for the school. These may be posted around the school or in classrooms, included in the staff or student handbook, or sent home to parents. They may include the district or school code of conduct. Students can play a role in this step through the Rules Gallery Walk activity described in Step 2. If none can be found, skip to Step 4.

Step 2: Assess Existing Expectations Based on Fit with Values and Needs of Students, Families, and the Community (Revise As Needed)

Get input from students, families and community members on what they think of the existing expectations and matrix or what they think they should be. It is important not to get input only from easily-reached groups (e.g., student council, parent-teacher organization). Students and families from marginalized groups, community agency leaders and Elders are important groups to seek out. Examples of activities include focus groups, surveys, or activities, such as:

- Stakeholder Input and satisfaction surveys.** The Student and Family survey tools (available soon at www.pbisapps.org) can be used to get input and suggested revisions for expectations.
- Specific survey for families/community.** To maximize responses from busy families, it may be useful to consider a survey that only addresses this topic, such as follows:

We would like your help in picking the values or rules for our school. We use a small number of positively stated expectations or rules across the whole school to make it more safe, positive, and predictable. At [school name], our current expectations are [list expectations here]. To teach these expectations, we use a matrix that has specific examples of how to follow the expectations around school:

[paste matrix here]

[Cultural Responsiveness Field Guide – Appendix D](#)

Enhancing Equity in School Discipline: Expectations and Matrix Examination Activity



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School: _____ Date: _____

What is the school's current set of established school-wide expectations/values (if any)?

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

4. _____

5. _____

When and how were they developed? Who was at the table? Who provided input?

Enhancing Equity in School Discipline: Expectations and Matrix Examination Activity

School: Ellison Elementary Date: Oct. 8, 2021

What is the school's current set of established school-wide expectations/values (if any)?

1. Be Safe
2. Be Respectful
3. Be Responsible
4. Follow Adult Directions
5.

When and how were they developed? Who was at the table? Who provided input?

The matrix was created by our PBIS team six years ago. Only school staff provided input. 85% of staff is new since we created it.

Do they have the following critical features?

- ☒ Positively stated (describe what TO DO, not what not to do)
- ☒ Broad (covers all expected behaviors)
- ☒ Small in number (3-5 expectations)
- ☒ Memorable
- ☐ Apply to both students and adults (e.g., adults commit to modeling them)
- ☒ Reflect community values or principles
- ☐ Represent “universal” core life skills beyond school
- ☐ Posted in multiple languages

What would it look like if your school-wide expectations were rewritten as values (e.g., Respect instead of Be Respectful)?

Consider changing “Be...” to “We are...”?

How might you revise your expectations to better reflect your school's values?

*Is “Follow Adult Directions” a universal core life skill?
Staff and students value inclusion -add “Include others”?*

If you have a school-wide teaching matrix, does it have the following critical features?

- ☐ Has all expectations/values and settings in the school across top and side
- ☐ Specific examples (in the boxes) are positively stated (describe what TO DO, not what not to do)
- ☐ Examples are active behaviors (not “Refrain from...”)
- ☐ Examples are written in student-friendly language
- ☐ Examples include the best action for how to show the expectation in that setting
- ☐ Examples include the positive alternative to the most common unwanted behavior in that setting
- ☐ Examples are small in number (between 2 and 5 examples per box)
- ☐ Examples have an educational purpose instead of school tradition or promoting the status quo
- ☐ Examples are examined for potential bias (e.g., reflecting norms of a dominant culture)

Are common violations of the matrix expectations:

- ☐ Possibly unfamiliar but acceptable variations of OK behavior?
- ☐ Behaviors that may be acceptable out of school but not in school?

TEACHING MATRIX

C. Alton Lindsay Middle School



SCHOOL-WIDE BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

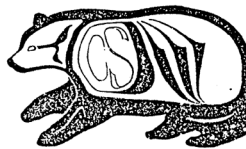
	Arrival & Dismissal	Hallway & Transitions	Bathroom	Cafeteria	Classroom
S afety First	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk directly to my designated area • Stay in my area • Talk softly • Keep hands, feet, and belongings to myself 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk directly to my designated area 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep hands, feet, and belongings to myself • Allow for the privacy of others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter and exit with a pass or my teacher • Throw away my trash and tray • Clean up after myself 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen • Follow directions the first time given • Ask appropriately for help • Clean up after myself • Follow lab rules and procedures
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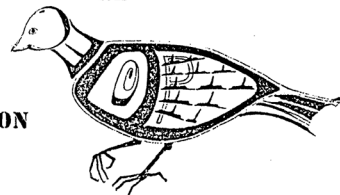


S

BE SAFE AND REMIND OTHERS TO BE SAFE
WALK IN CLASS
KEEP HANDS/FEET OFF
TAKE CARE OF YOUR BELONGINGS
FOLLOW DIRECTIONS IN GYM
FOLLOW RULES ON PLAYGROUND

**P**

PRACTICE PEACE
MAINTAIN A QUIET PEACEFUL ATMOSPHERE
ALLOW OTHERS TO WORK
WAIT FOR YOUR TURN TO SPEAK
USE YOUR HAND FOR RECOGNITION

**A**

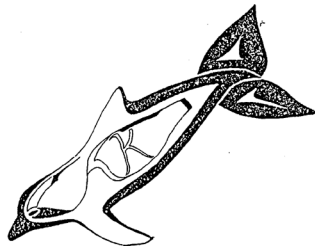
KEEP A POSITIVE ATTITUDE
BE READY FOR WORK
LISTEN AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS
COMPLETE ASSIGNMENTS
ASK QUESTIONS IN A POSITIVE MANNER
USE YOUR TIME WISELY

**R**

SHOW RESPECT
FOLLOW CLASS PROCEDURES/RULES
SPEAK IN A POSITIVE MANNER
FOLLOW DIRECTIONS
WORK INDEPENDENTLY
BE POLITE
RESPECT DIFFERENCES

**K**

BE KIND TO OTHERS
BE SENSITIVE TO OTHERS' FEELINGS
REMEMBER YOUR MANNERS
WELCOME AND SHOW KINDNESS TO OUR VISITORS
SMILE





1. DEFINE

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3. ACKNOWLEDGE

4. RESPOND
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RULES

Hallways	
S	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hands, feet, body to self - Walk calmly on the right at all times - Allow classes to pass first - Respect right of way - Watch where you are walking
P	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Walk quietly at all times - Keep hands off the bulletin boards - Look with your eyes and keep fingers by your side
A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hats and caps off - Be aware of other's personal space - Keep hands off bulletin boards - Pick up garbage
R	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Keep hands off the belongings of others - Stay in line - Respect out of bound areas - Walk around people instead of through them
K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Say "Excuse me" if you bump into someone - Listen to adults - Use kind language & quiet voice

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Activity: Matrix Evaluation

- Review the expectations matrix for the high school in the handout. Identify aspects that:
 - ☐ May reflect hidden biases
 - ☐ Could be rewritten in more student-friendly language
 - ☐ Could be made more student-centered

	CLASSROOMS	COMMONS/ CAFETERIA	HALLWAYS	SCHOOL GROUNDS & SURROUNDING COMMUNITY	Restroom
P ERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY To be accountable for your own actions, choices and the results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be on time Be prepared Be an active learner Complete assignments 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use table manners Eat your own food and not share your food with others Clean up after yourself Recycle 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use the bathroom and get a drink during passing period Gather all materials for next class 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Drive safely Stay on public property 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use the bathroom between classes Wash your hands
R ESPECT To show consideration, appreciation, and acceptance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be an active listener Consider other views Use eye contact Stay focused on the topic of discussion Eliminate derogatory language Give respect and you will get respect 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use conversational volume Be polite to others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use conversational language and volume Be considerate of others personal space and property Move to the side to let others pass by Avoid interrupting classes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean up after yourself Follow all school rules 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Allow privacy for others No videos or pictures
I NTEGRITY To be honest, sincere, and kind in words and actions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do your own work Be patient with self and others Share responsibilities Take hats off in class 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wait your turn Pay for all purchases Be welcoming and include others Attend only one lunch 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have a pass if out of class Exit the building after school day or approved activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be courteous to community members 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep the stalls and walls graffiti free
D ETERMINATION To set goals and meet expectations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Be organized – plan time to do work or study Learn from mistakes Ask for help when you need it 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Make healthy food choices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Move promptly to class 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase knowledge and use of community resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean up after yourself
E XCELLENCE To strive to do the best at all times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Produce quality work Challenge yourself to take a chance Use school resources Strive for perfect attendance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encourage your friends to clean up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you see litter, help by picking it up If you see a visitor, say hello and offer assistance 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Serve the community in a positive way Be a role model 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Return to class promptly and quietly

Possible Actions	Notes
<input type="checkbox"/> Create process for periodic input on expectations and matrix from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ students ○ families ○ community ○ staff 	<i>Students say language is outdated (e.g., no mention of cell phones)</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Revise expectations to match critical features <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ as values ○ to focus on core life skills ○ etc. 	<i>Need to focus more on goal setting, problem-solving, conflict resolution?</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Revise specific examples in the matrix to match critical features	<i>Want to tie more to student home languages - add in Spanish?</i>
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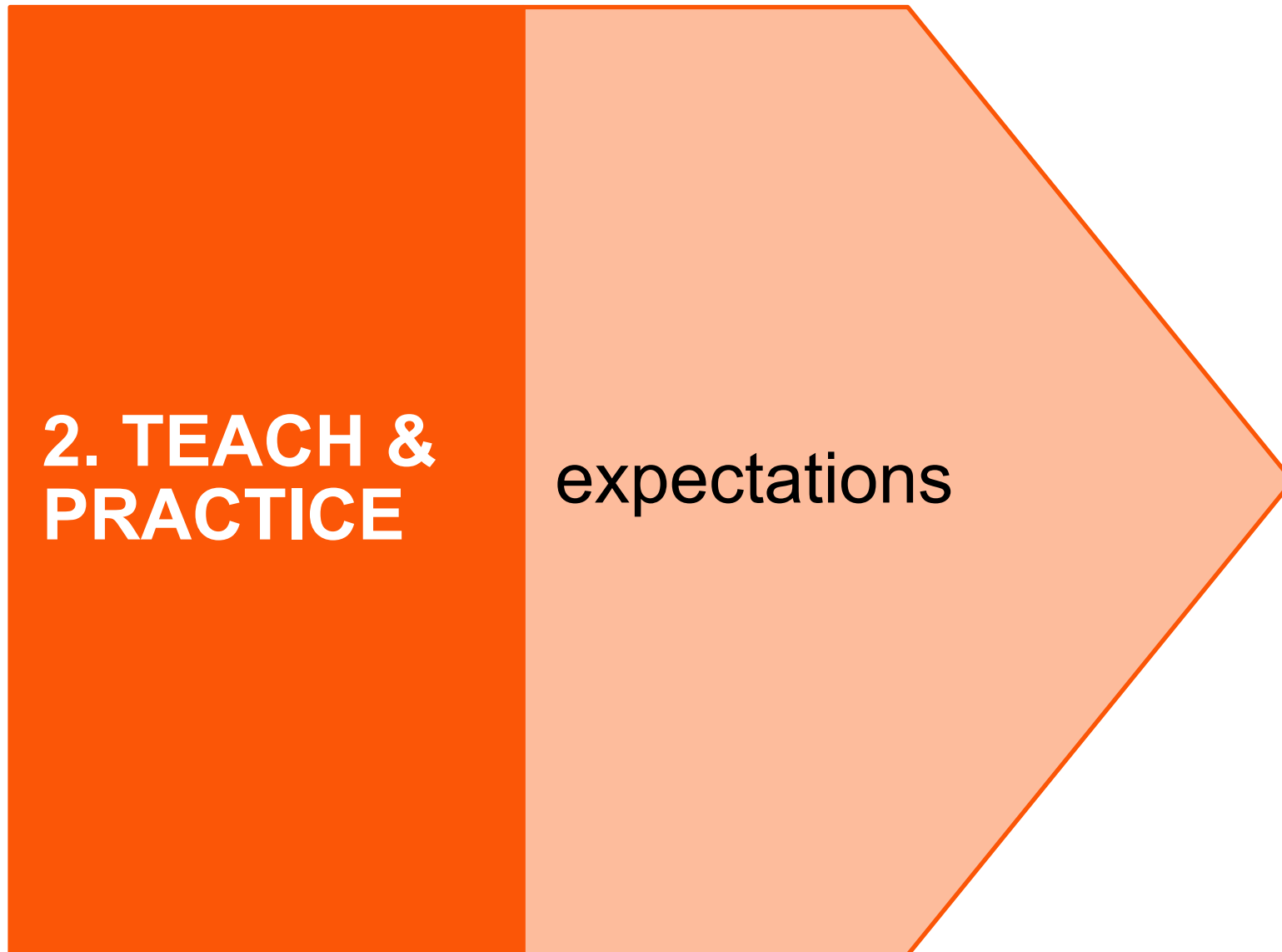
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school-wide expectations (i.e., social competencies)

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expectations

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PLAN to TEACH EXPECTATIONS

Create a schedule and lesson plans for:

- ☐ Start of the year
- ☐ Booster sessions

Teach the expectations in the actual settings

Teach the:

- ☐ Words
- ☐ Rationale
- ☐ Actions
- ☐ Discrimination

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TEACHING MATRIX

C. Alton Lindsay Middle School



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Personal matrix (p. 47)

Include students in planning/teaching lessons

Teach equity and social justice skills

Class-wide reset lessons

The Personal Matrix

Classroom Activity



Personal Matrix

- A whole-class student activity similar to the existing school-wide behavior matrix
- The tweak:
 - Take school expectations and have students...
 - Add examples at home
 - Add examples in community

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3. ACKNOWLEDGE	Respectful	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treat others how you want to be treated Include others Listen to adults 		
4. RESPOND INSTRUCTIONALLY				
5. MAKE DECISIONS	Responsible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do my own work Personal best Follow directions Clean up messes 		

Personal Matrix:

Lesson Plan

1. Ask students about the purpose of expectations.
2. Review the school-wide expectations and specific examples with students.
3. Ask students to fill in multiple examples of following each of the expectations at home.
4. Ask students to write down multiple examples of how their friends expect them to behave.
5. Ask students to share similarities and differences in expectations across settings.
6. Have students turn in matrices for review.
7. Return the matrices to students for their personal reference.

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2. TEACH & PRACTICE	Safe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep hands and feet to self Tell an adult if there is a problem 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Protect your friends and family Don't talk back 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stick up for your friends Don't back down Look the other way
3. ACKNOWLEDGE	Respectful	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Treat others how you want to be treated Include others Listen to adults 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do exactly what adults tell you to do Don't stand out Don't bring shame 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Text back within 30 seconds Be nice to friends' parents Share food
4. RESPOND INSTRUCTIONALLY	Responsible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Do my own work Personal best Follow directions Clean up messes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Help your family out first Own your mistakes Share credit for successes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Have each other's backs Own your mistakes Check in about what to do
5. MAKE DECISIONS				

Personal Matrix:

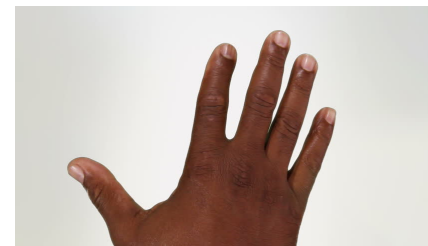
Lesson Plan Variations

- Use as a one-on-one interview
- Share in small groups
- Have students draw expectations



Activity: Complete Your Own Personal Matrix

1. Add the school-wide expectations and “AT SCHOOL” examples for your school
 2. Complete the “AT HOME” column with examples for each expectation for you **personally**
 3. Complete the “WITH MY FRIENDS” column the same way
- How clear are you on this task?














Discussion Question


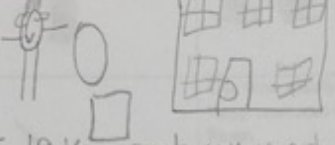






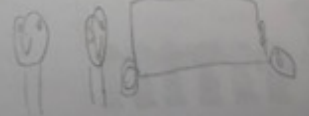
- What do you think you might see on students' personal matrices?
 - What might be similar or different from school:
 - at home
 - in their community

	SCHOOL	HOME	NEIGHBORHOOD
SAFETY	<p>What does safety look like/sound like at school?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No threats No bullying No running in the halls 	<p>What does safety look like/sound like at home?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No threats No undeserved beatings No fears 	<p>What does safety look like/sound like in your neighborhood?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No yelling No cops (where there is trouble) No scary homeless people.
RESPECT	<p>What does respect look like/sound like at school?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No insults No graffiti No cursing 	<p>What does respect look like/sound like at home?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No back talking No curses Listen to the rules 	<p>What does respect look like/sound like in your neighborhood?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No graffiti Clean streets No yelling
RESPONSIBILITY	<p>What does responsibility look like/sound like at school?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Doing your homework Doing your work Returning your books 	<p>What does responsibility look like/sound like at home?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean your room Show up for dinner Go to bed on time. 	<p>What does responsibility look like/sound like in your neighborhood?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cleaning the street Not fighting your neighbors. No yelling

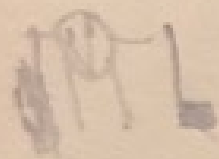
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	At SCHOOL it looks like...	At HOME it looks like...	With my FRIENDS it looks like...
Responsible 	Hands & feet to yourself Clean up Remain Quiet Use walking feet Use time wisely Be Neat Stay in your Seat	I throw a Way trash. 	When my Friend was falling I helped him. 
Respectful 	Share Take Turns Quiet Hands to yourself Respect privacy Walk on Right Walk Silently	I go to bed when my mom tells me to and I don't talk back. 	I be nice to them and when they drop something I help them pick it back up. 
Ready 	Clean-up Line-up Rush	When my mom tells me to I do. 	I don't Bully my friends. 

One Team.....One Goal.....For Student Success!

	At SCHOOL it looks like...	At HOME it looks like...	With my FRIENDS it looks like...
Responsible 	Hands & feet to yourself Clean up Remain Quiet Use walking feet Use time wisely Be Neat Stay in your Seat	I take out my trash 	I play outside with my Friend 
Respectful 	Share Take Turns Quiet Hands to yourself Respect privacy Walk on Right Walk Silently	I Feed my chicken 	I am nice with my Friend 
Ready 	Clean-up Line-up Rush	I Put my clothes on to go to school 	I go along with my Friend 

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Responsible

I'm respectful because
my mom told me to
sweep.

I'm responsible at
home when I'm
outside burning sticks.

Ready

I'm ready when
I get dressed to go
to Wal-Mart.



Respectful

I'm respectful when
my daddy says go
I walk down stairs.



Responsible
I'm responsible
when I help
my dad do
kundry.



Ready
I'm ready by
getting dressed to go
to my dad's friend.





Review your Matrices

- What was consistent with what you expected?
- What was surprising?
- What was something positive you saw?

Personal Matrix:

Interpreting the Personal Matrix

- Where are there similarities across school and home/neighborhood?
- Where are there differences?

Personal Matrix:

Interpreting the Personal Matrix

- For the differences between school and other settings:
 1. Are the “different” school rules necessary for positive student development?
 - **NO:** Change the rules to align more with home and neighborhood
 - **YES:** Acknowledge explicitly and provide additional teaching, practice, and acknowledgment

Resources

<http://bit.ly/PersonalMatrixResources>

[*Cultural Responsiveness Field Guide*](#)
(Appendix G: Personal Matrix)



PERSONAL MATRIX: TIPS FOR SUCCESS

The personal matrix can be a powerful tool for teaching expected behaviors, long after the activity is completed. Here are some tips for maximizing the benefits of the personal matrix throughout the year:

- **Give matrices back to students.** Return the completed matrices to students for their reference. They can go somewhere convenient, like in their planners. Keep a copy for your own reference as well.
- **Comment and compliment on students' high standards at home or with friends.** If students list multiple responsibilities at home (e.g., caretaking of siblings), acknowledge their responsibilities.
- **Find ways to reframe unwanted behaviors as strengths.** Some behaviors may be valued outside of school (e.g., a witty comeback at the wrong time can still be acknowledged as creative). By describing these behaviors as strengths in other settings, you can improve relationships.

ADDRESSING SIMILARITIES IN EXPECTATIONS ACROSS SETTINGS

- **Use language from home or with friends to reinforce similarities with school.** Comment on the similarities you see across settings in their matrices.
EXAMPLE: Connect the responsibility of cleaning their desk to the chore of cleaning their bedroom.
- **Modify your classroom matrix.** If the same ideas are shared across many students, consider using their language for the same ideas in the classroom.
EXAMPLE: Add student sayings to the matrix (e.g., "love your haters" in place of "use respectful words").

ADDRESSING DIFFERENCES IN EXPECTATIONS

- **Explicitly acknowledge any differences.** Explain that we are asking students to behave differently at school and why the differences are necessary.
EXAMPLE: Looking the other way when they see bullying may be effective for staying safe outside of school. Students will need to hear how and why we want them to intervene as bystanders.
- **Relabel "problem" behavior as "not for school."** Instead of calling behavior that may be valued and reinforced outside of school as "wrong," we can clarify that we are asking students to do things differently than their family members or friends expect.
EXAMPLE: Students may be taught to fight when they are insulted. Telling them there is another way at school may be more effective than saying fighting is always wrong.
- **Teach and practice different behaviors.** Because students may be fluent in "not for school" behaviors, it is important to continually teach what is expected at school and assume students will make mistakes.
EXAMPLE: Use the completed personal matrix as a visual support for coaching students on adjusting behavior to meet different expectations in different settings.

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school-wide expectations (i.e., social competencies)

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**ON-GOING
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
of PROSOCIAL
BEHAVIOR**

Every faculty and staff
member acknowledges
PROSOCIAL behavior

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**“as much as I
could, I tried
to find the
good, and
praise it.”**

Alex Haley

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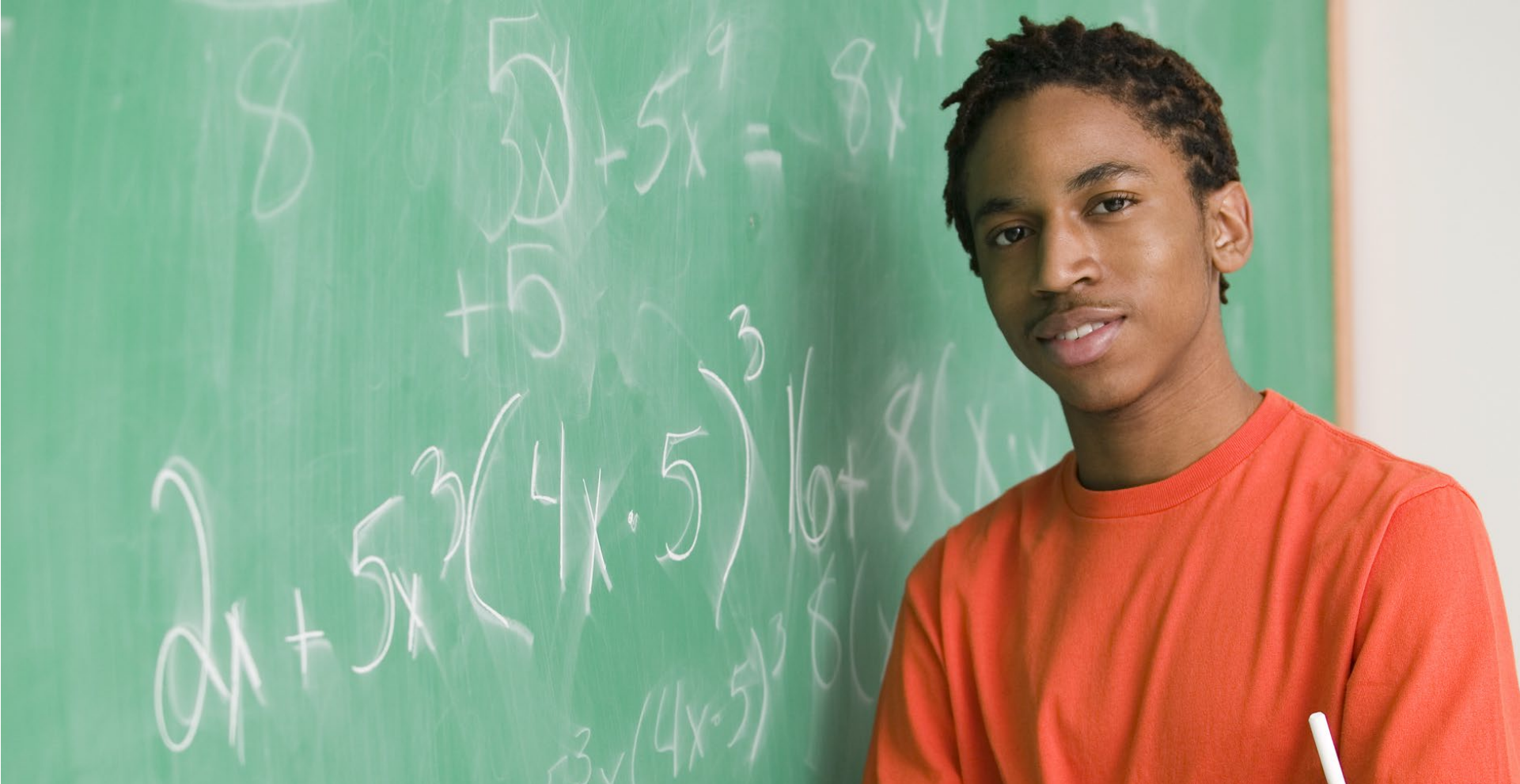
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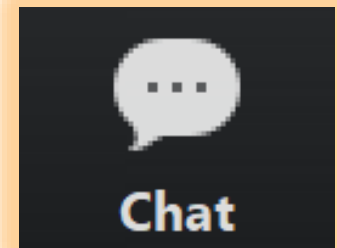
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When we look for the behavior we want to see,
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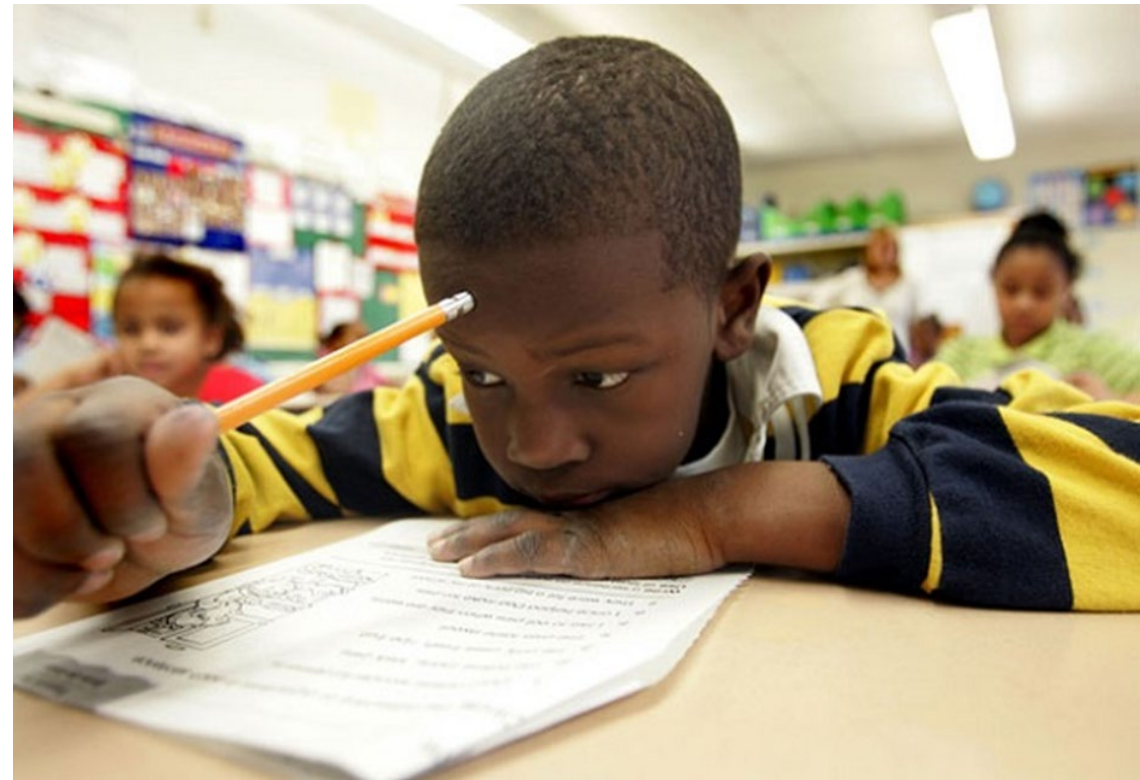
Thought Experiment

1. List the 5 students with whom you have the **“best/easiest relationships.”**
2. List the 5 students with whom you have the **“most challenging relationships.”**
3. Note what patterns you see in the groups.
 - ☐ Similar to each other?
 - ☐ Different from you?

Increasing Equity in Praise:

Assessing equity in use of praise

- Is this effective practice used equitably with all student groups?
 - Black students receive lower rates of praise and higher rates of reprimands (Gion et al., in press; Knochel et al., in press; Scott et al., 2019)
 - Coaching can increase equity in praise and reprimands (Gion et al., in press; Knochel et al., in press)



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Increase contingent praise

- Assess equitable use

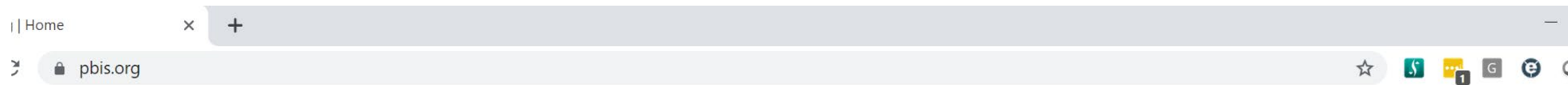
- Praise preference assessments

- Planned praise

Increase non-contingent praise

- Greet at the door

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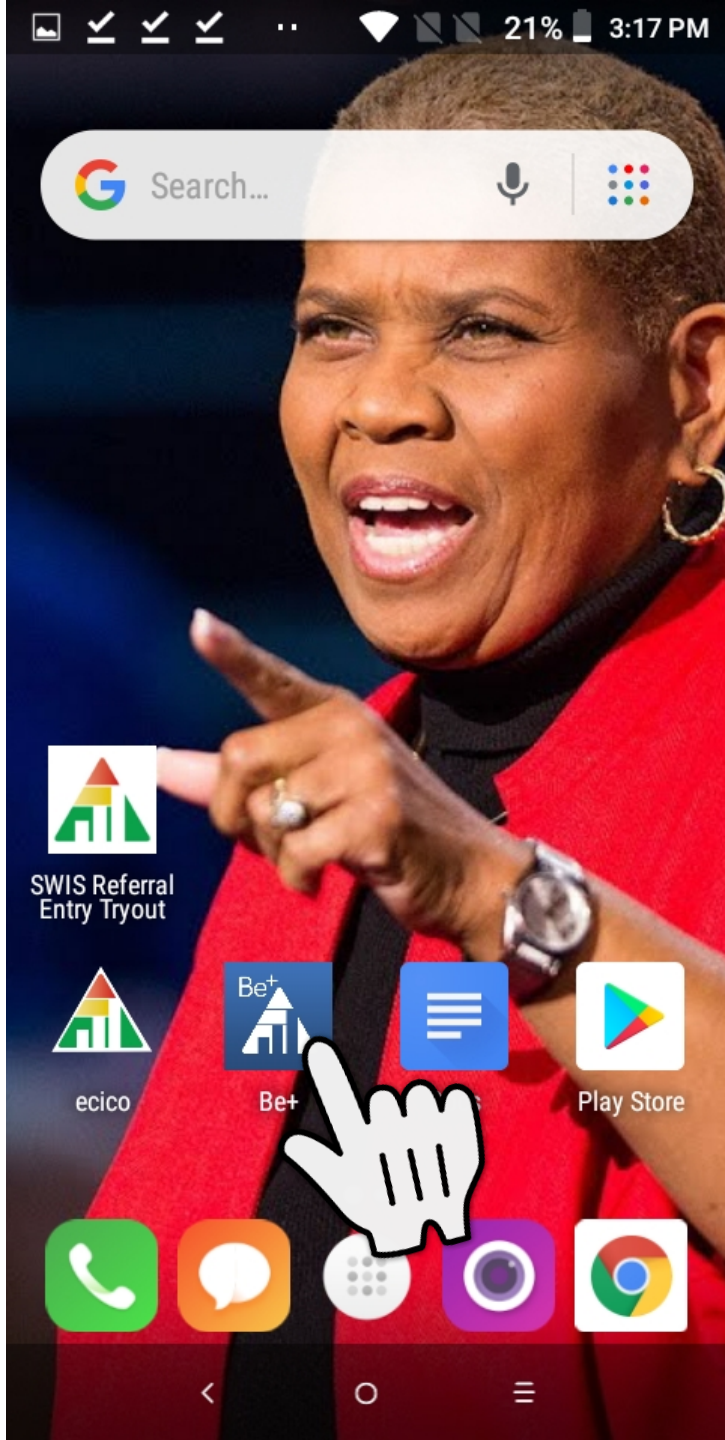
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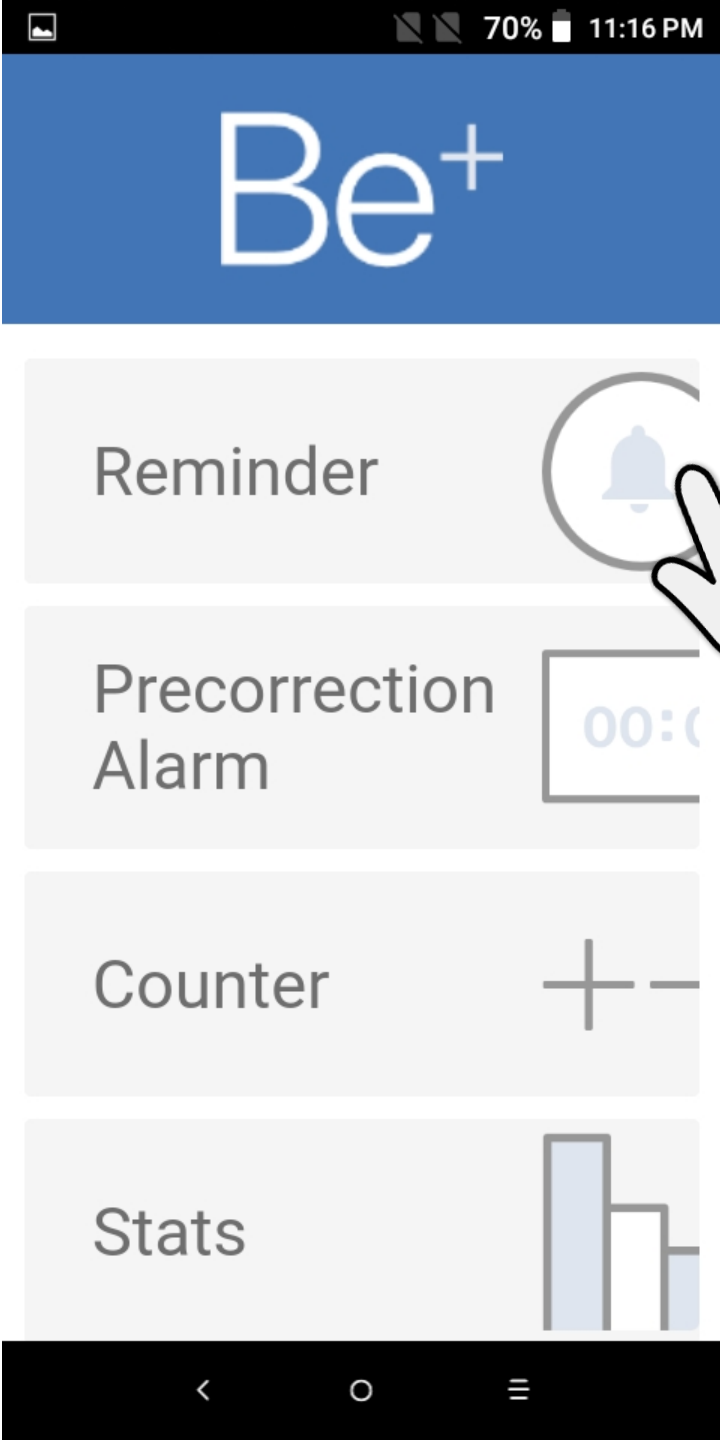
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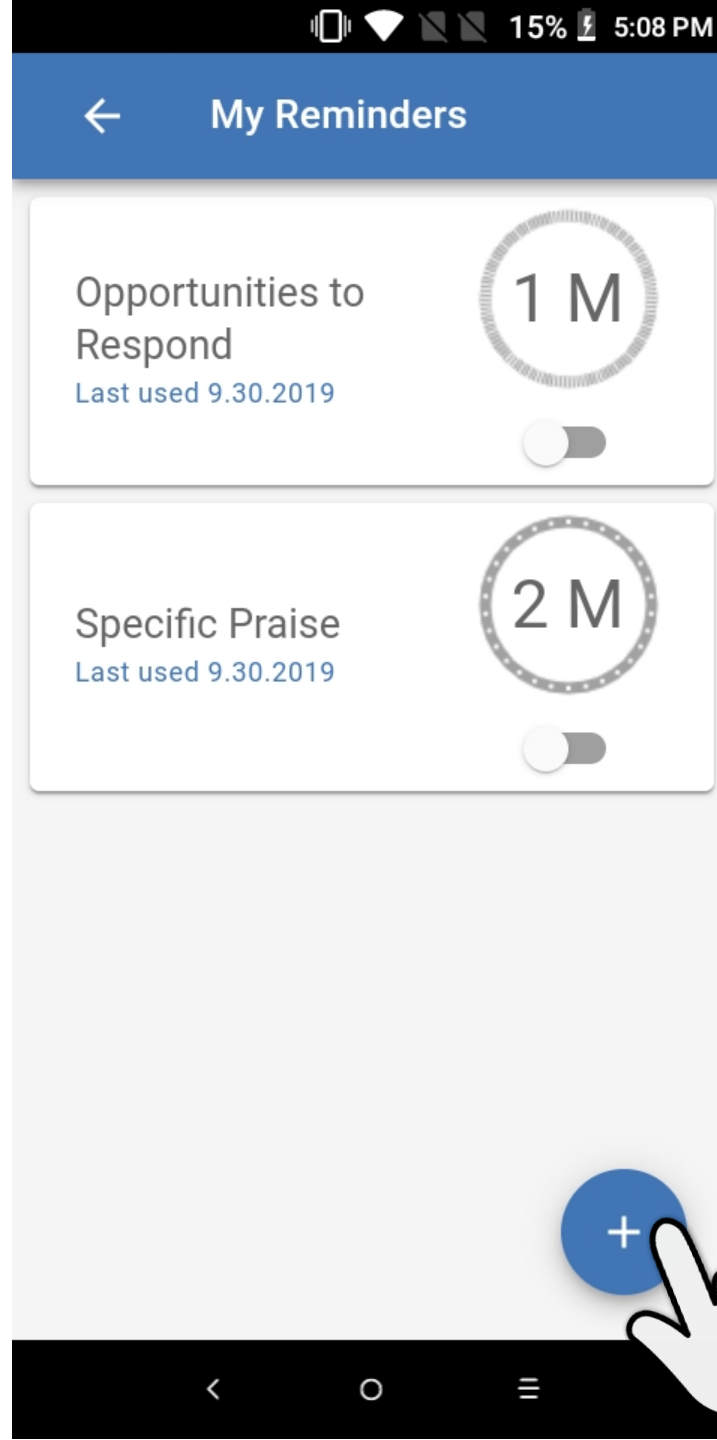
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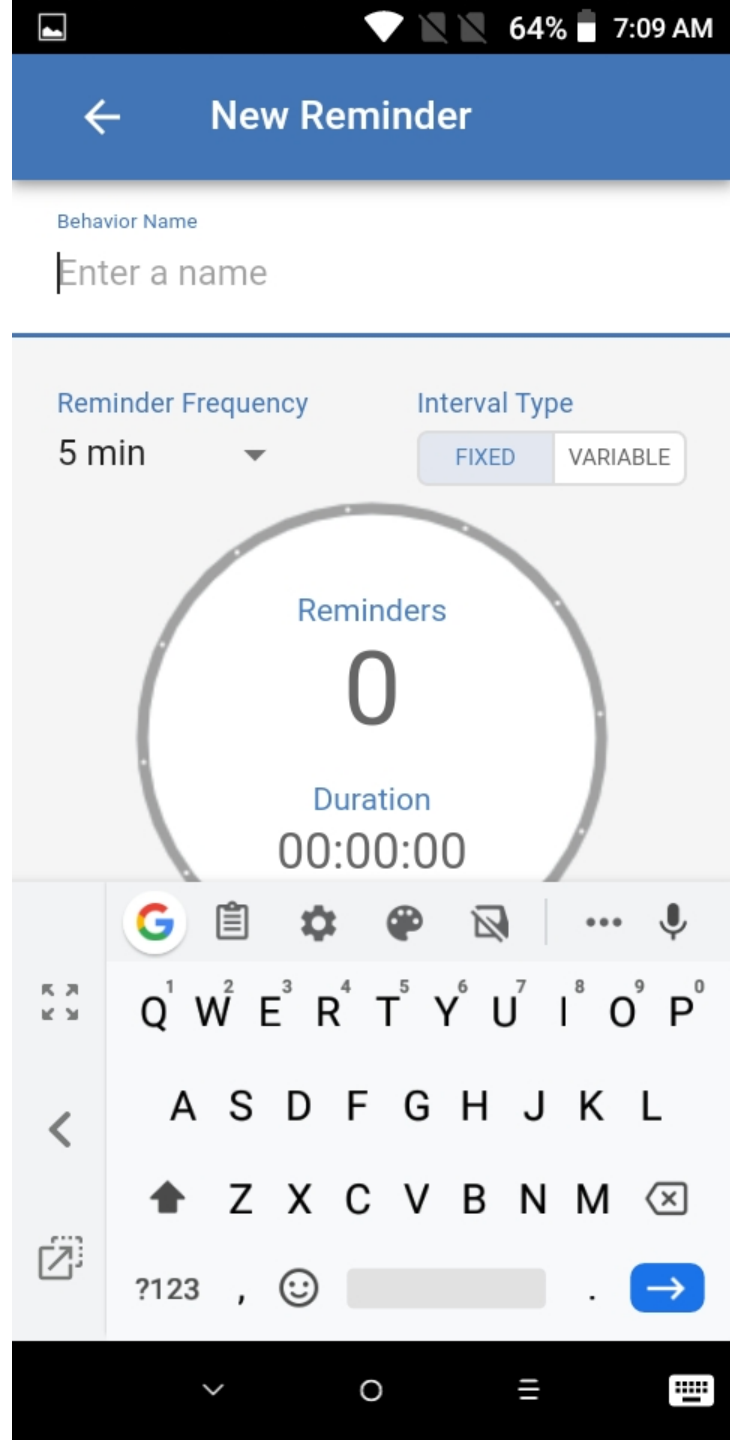
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Specific Praise for Shaw...

Behavior Name

Specific Praise for Shawn

Reminder Frequency

5 min

Interval Type

FIXED

VARIABLE

Reminders

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Duration

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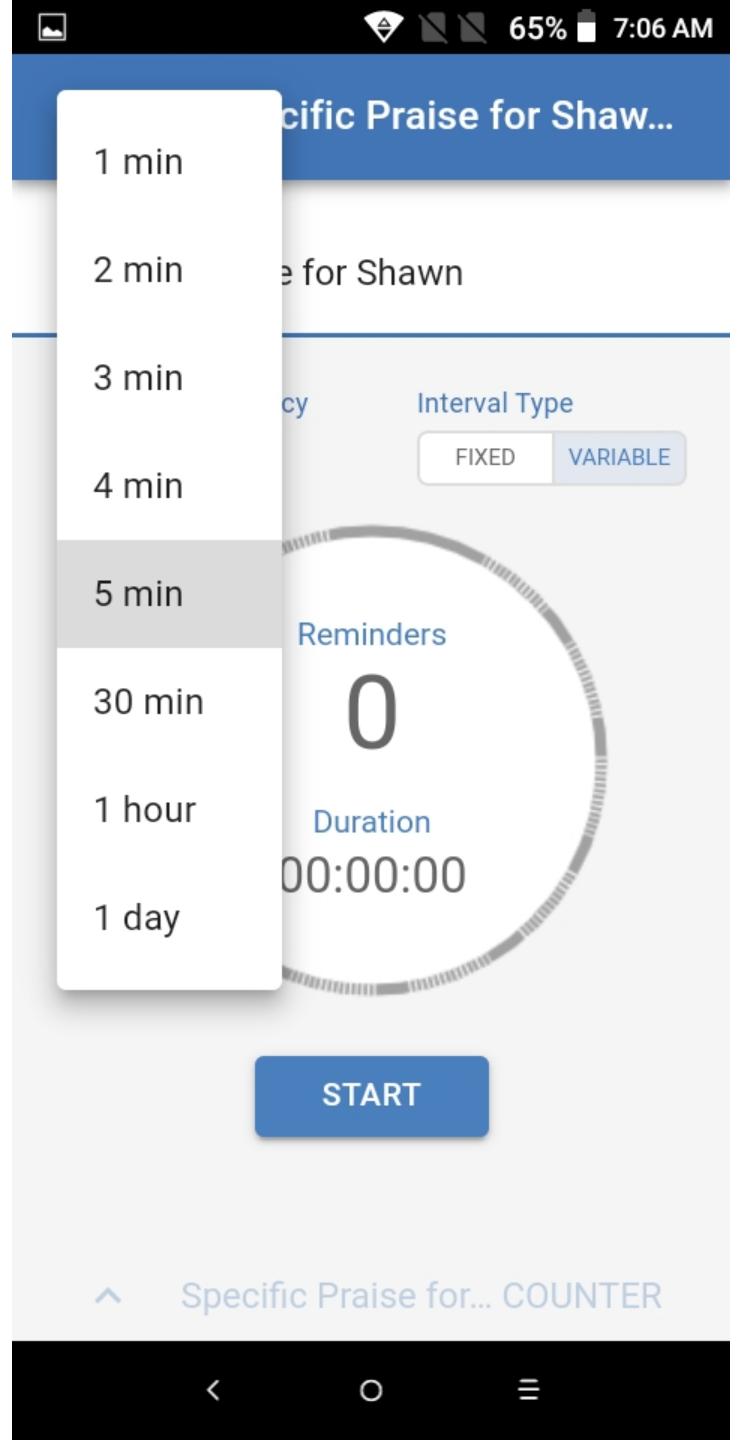
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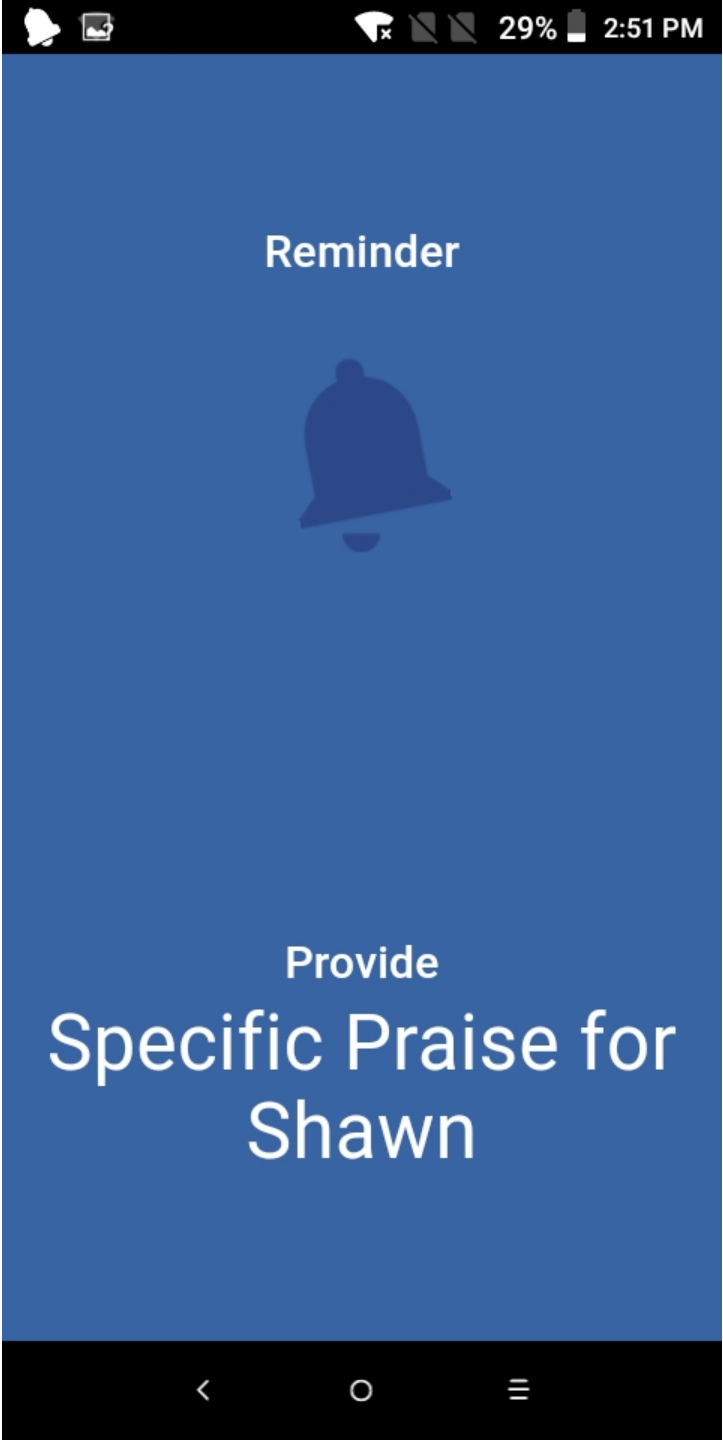
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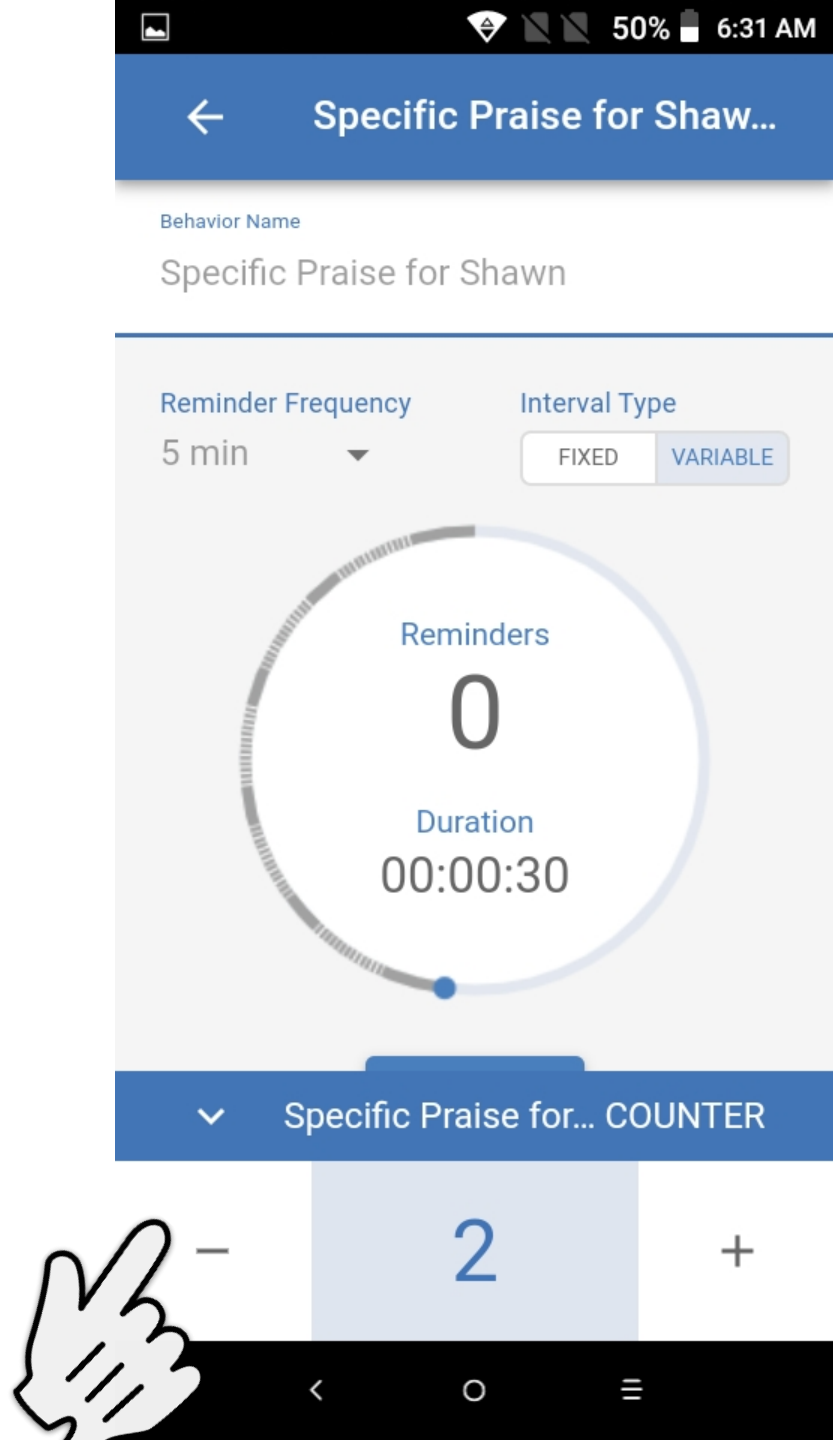
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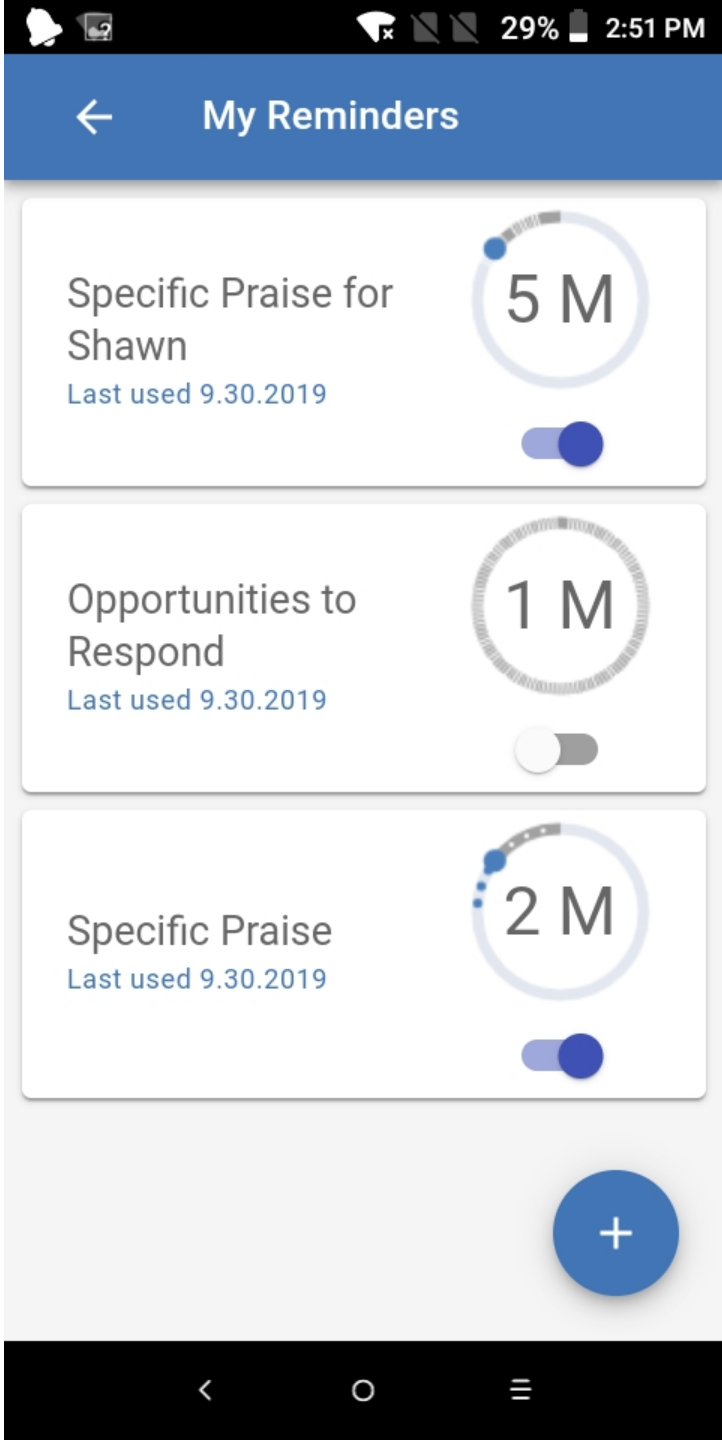
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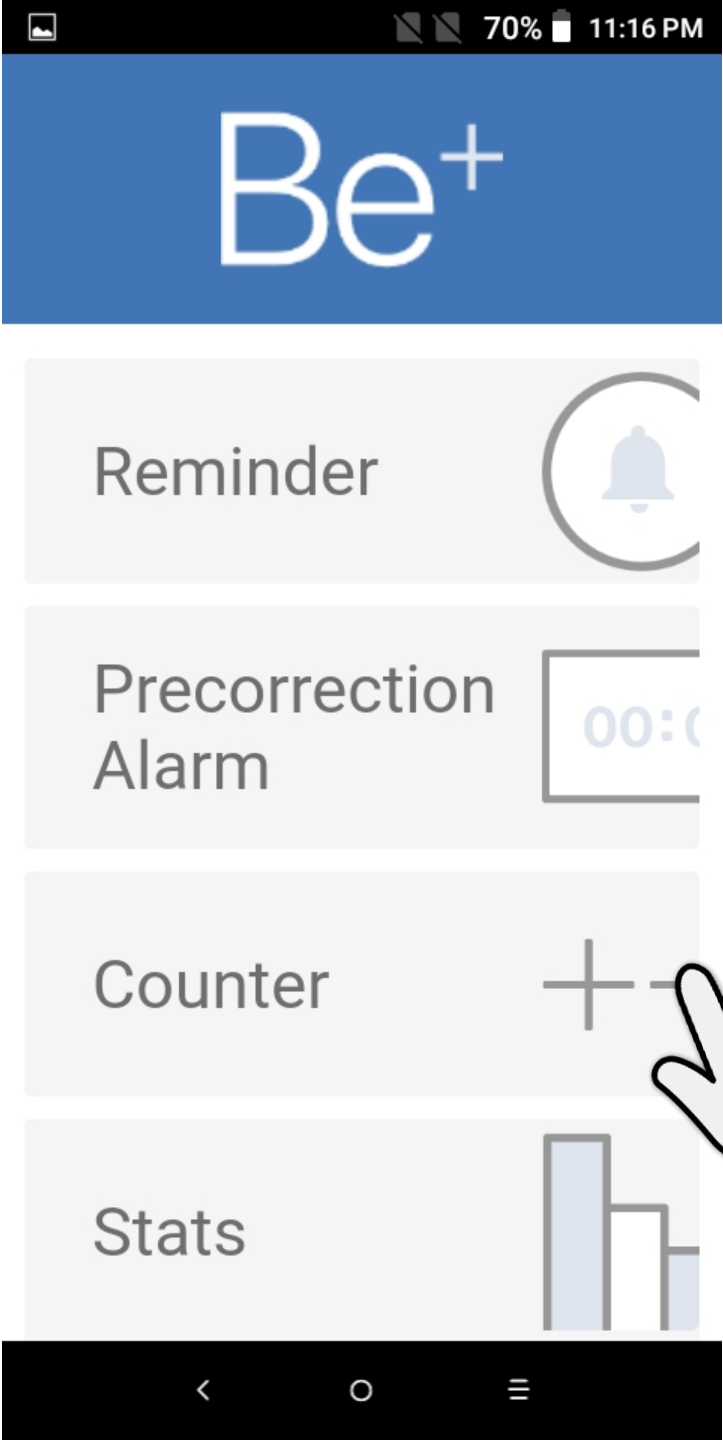
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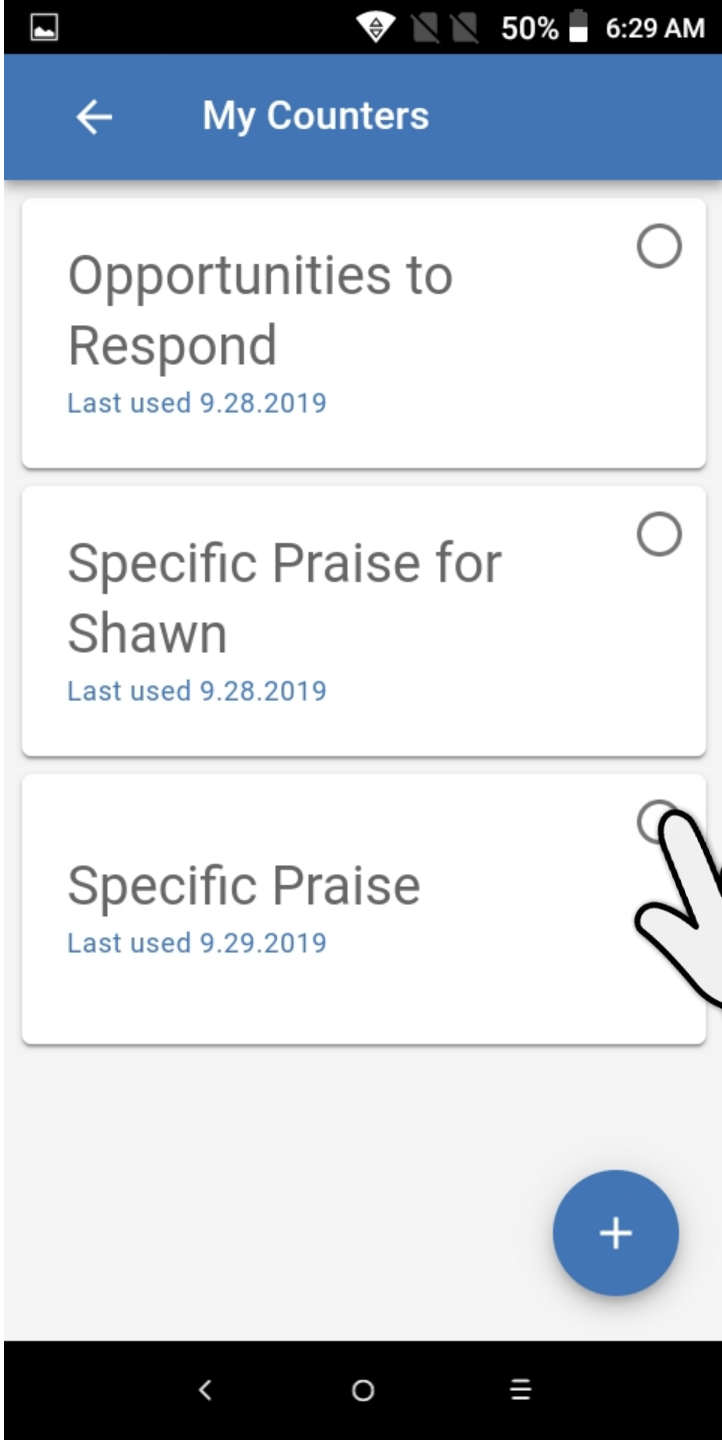
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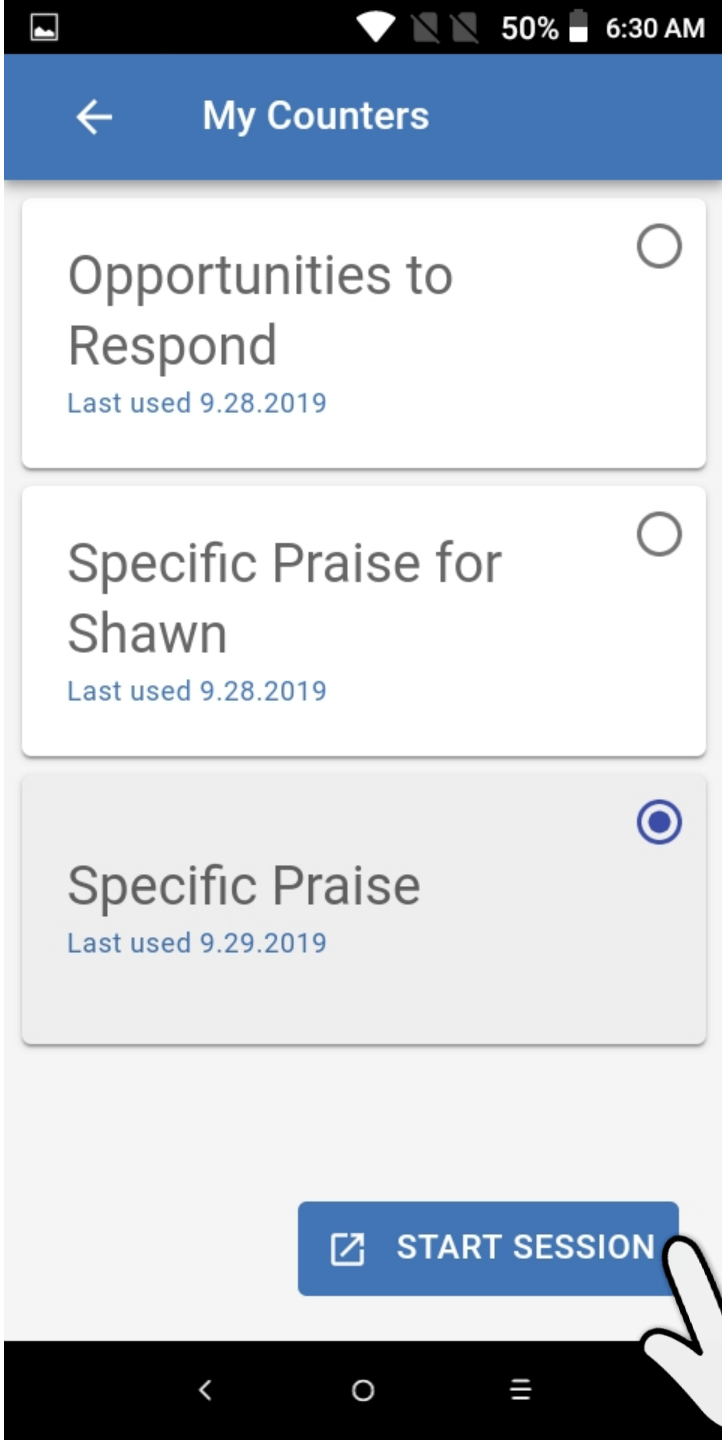
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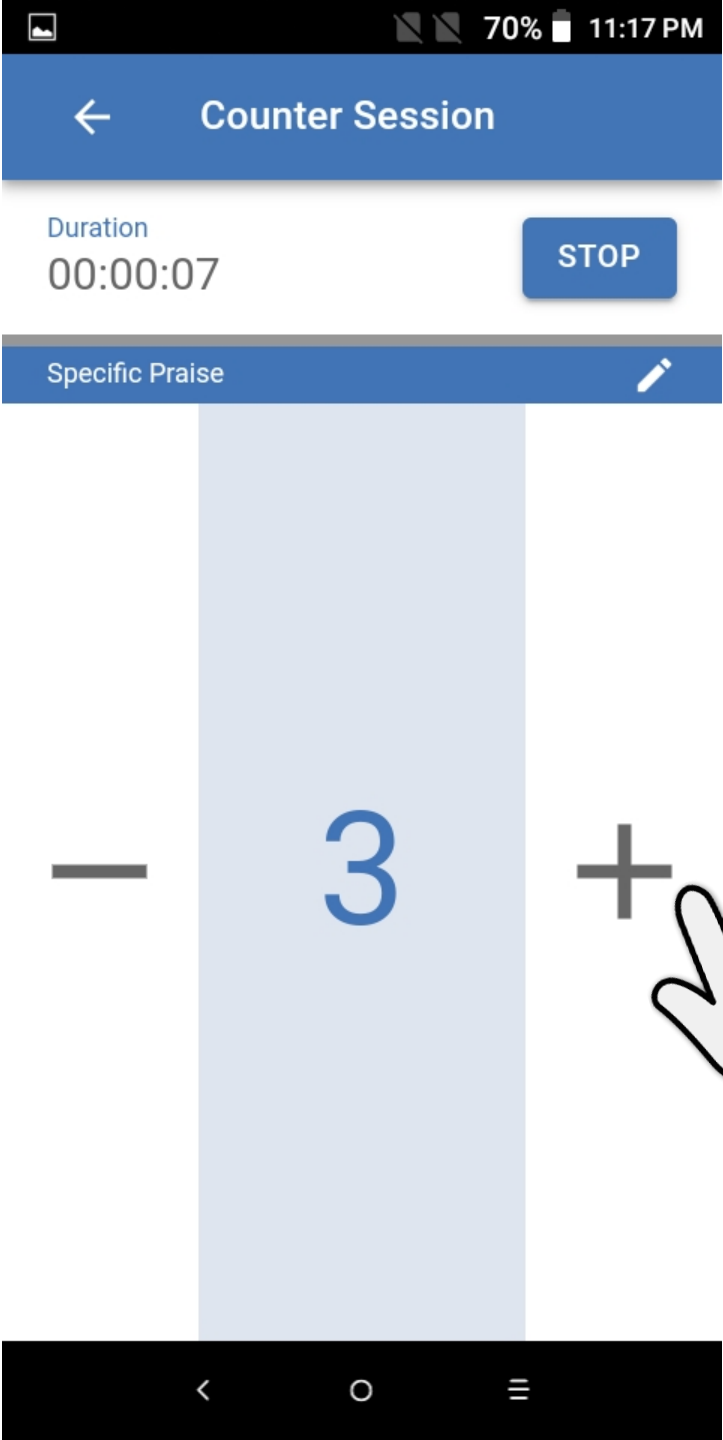
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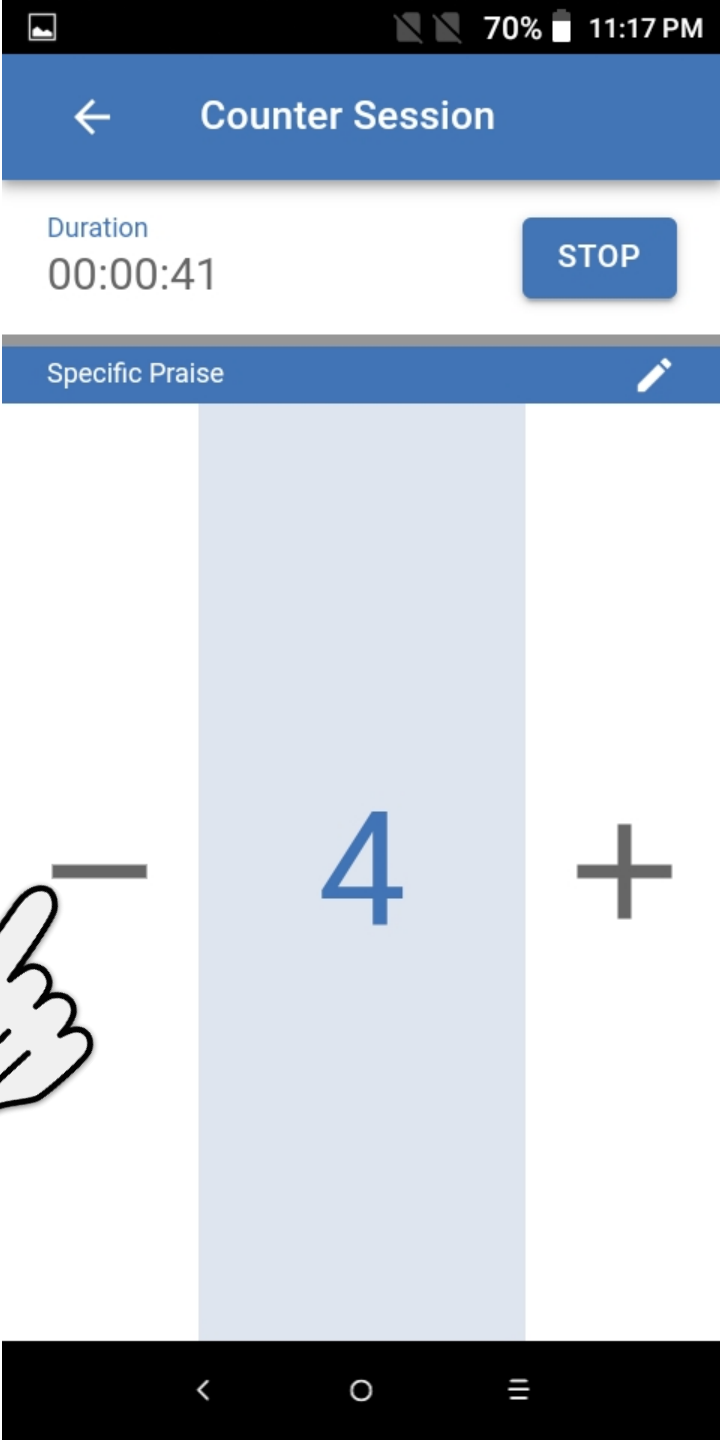
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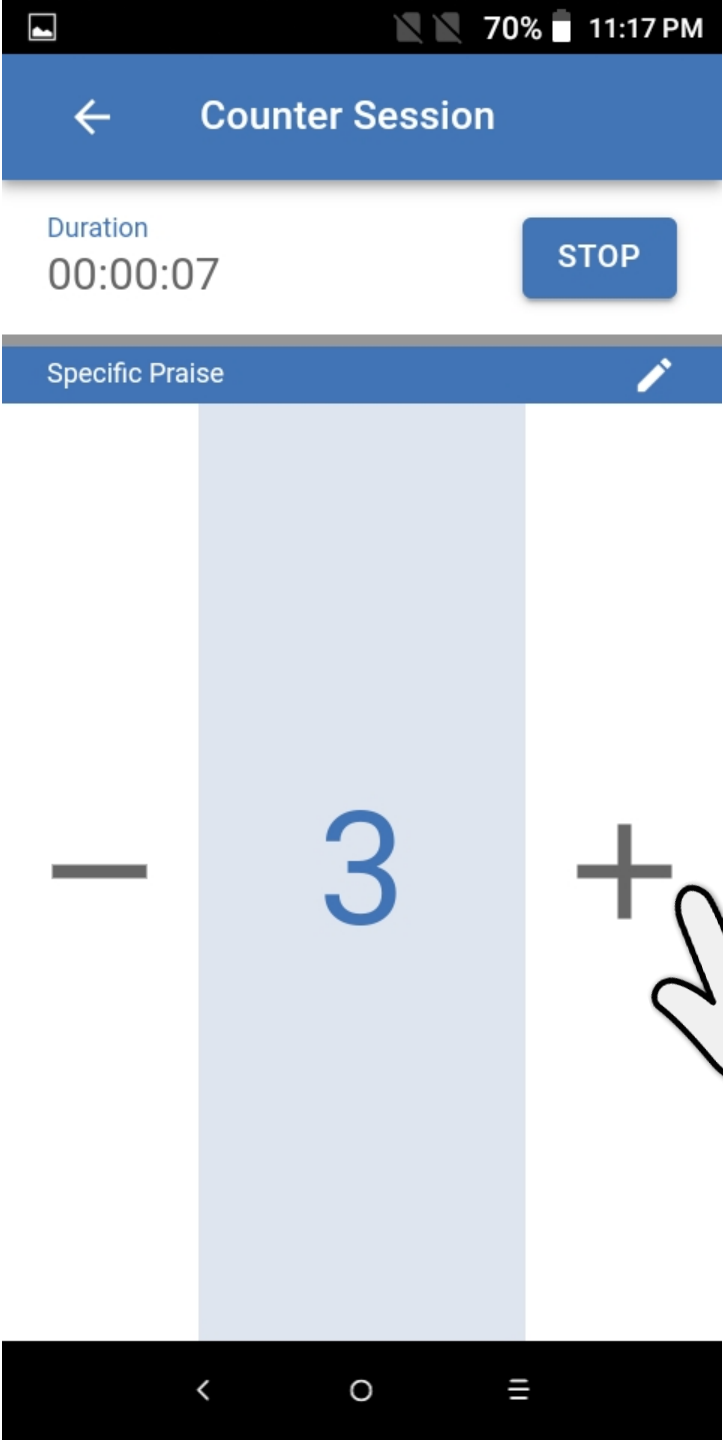
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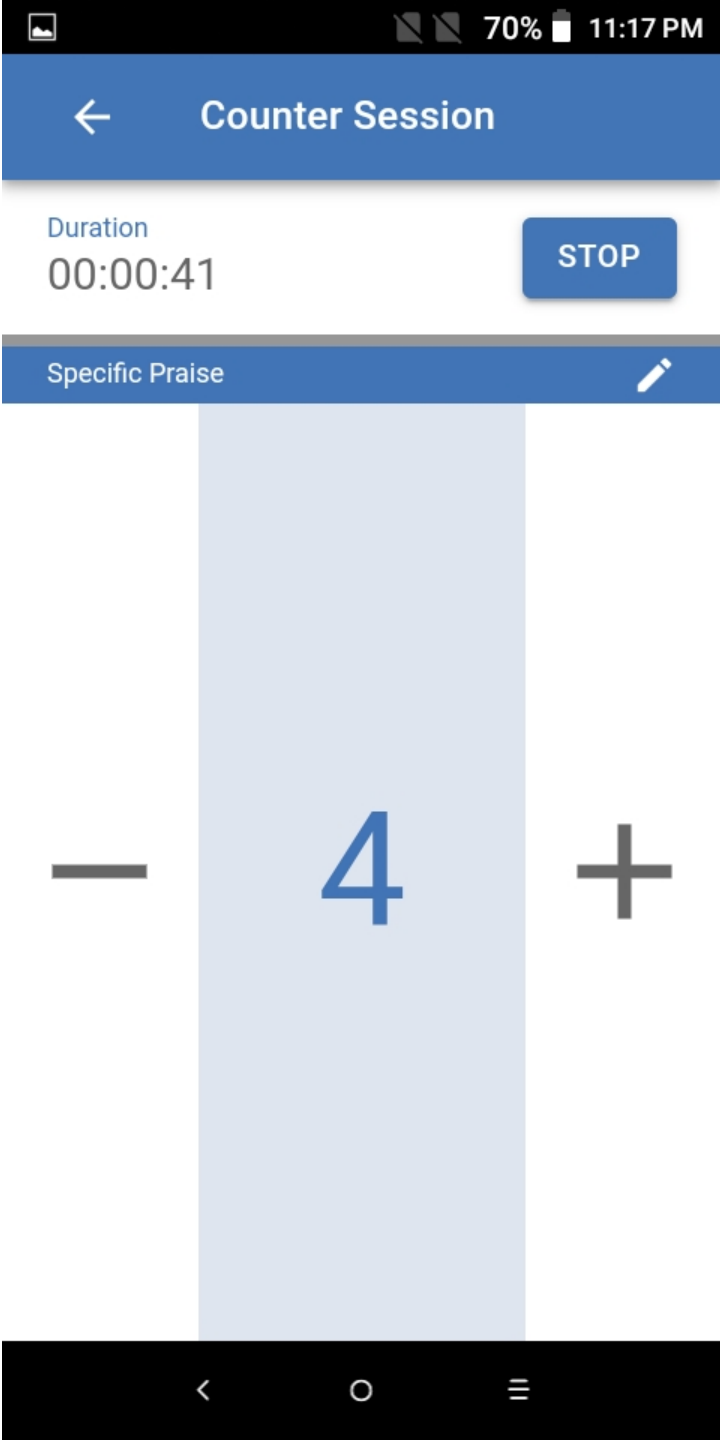
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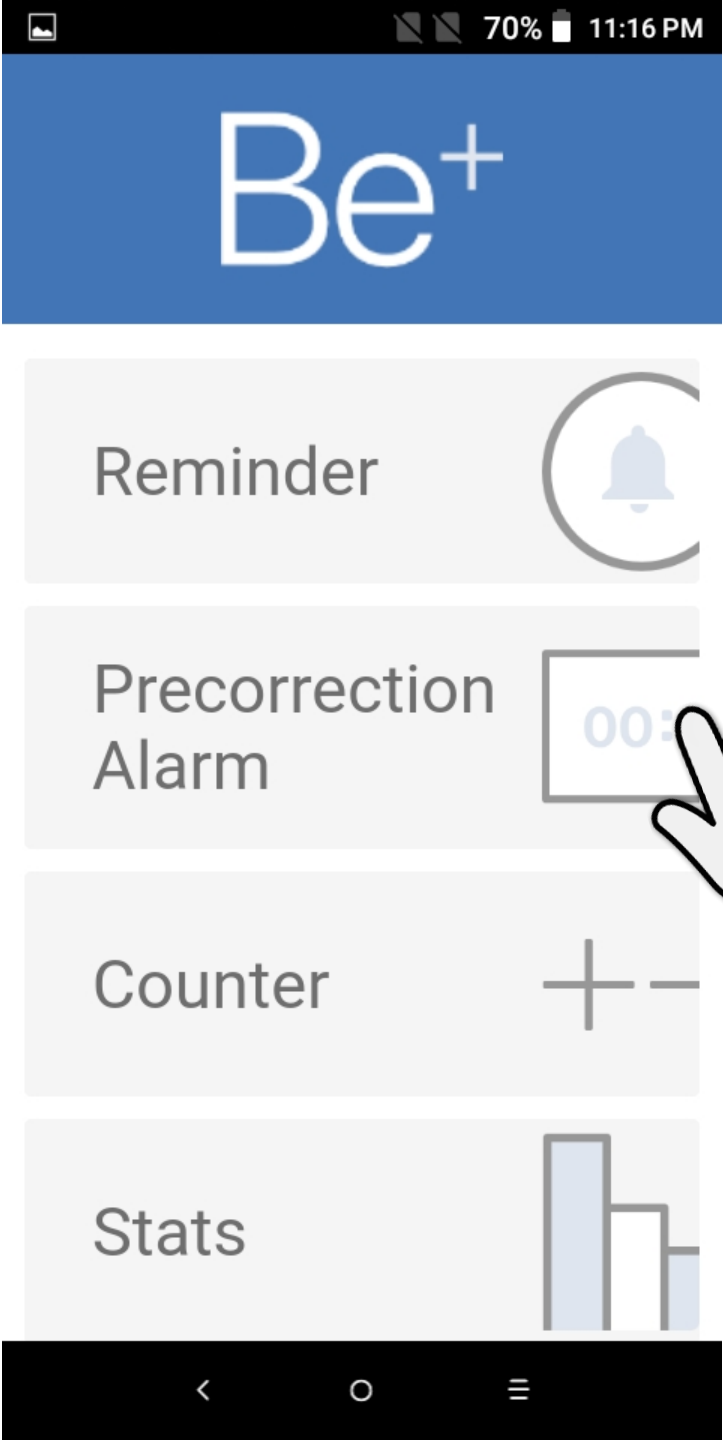
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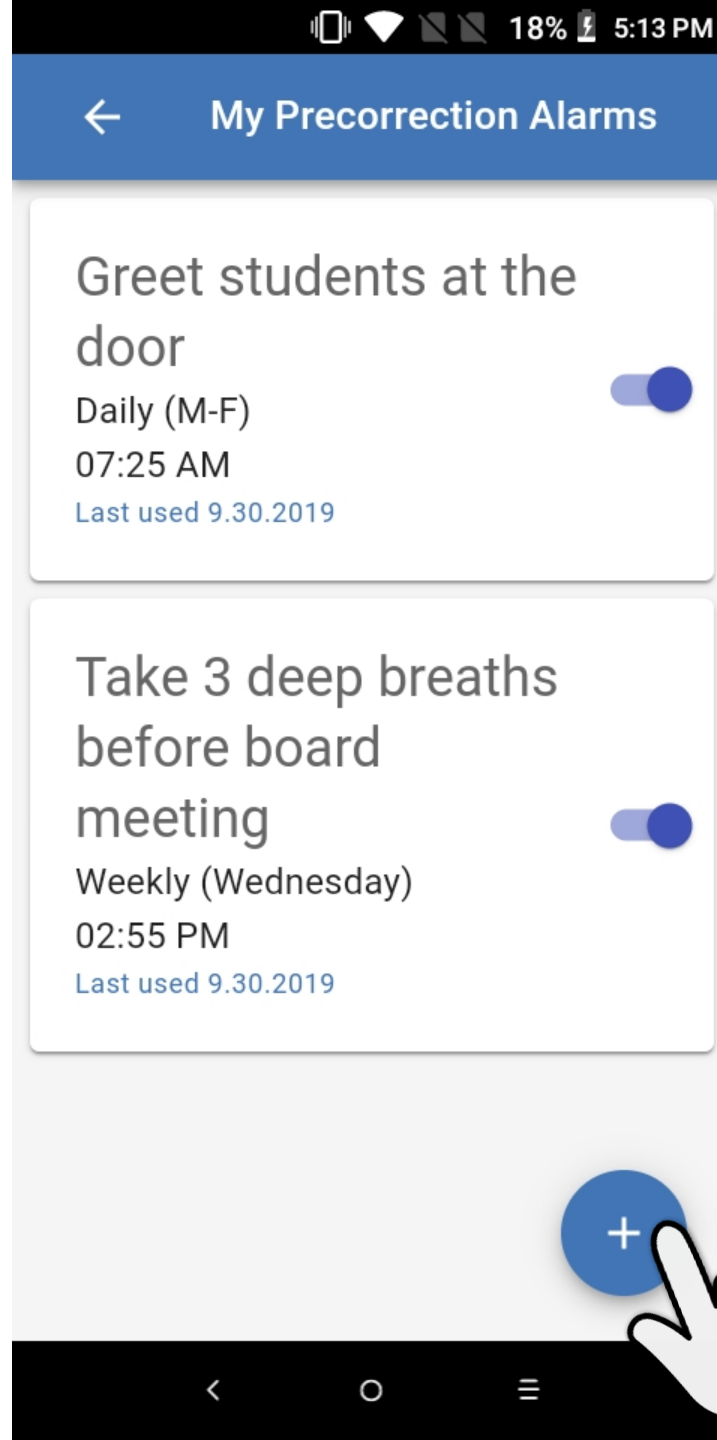
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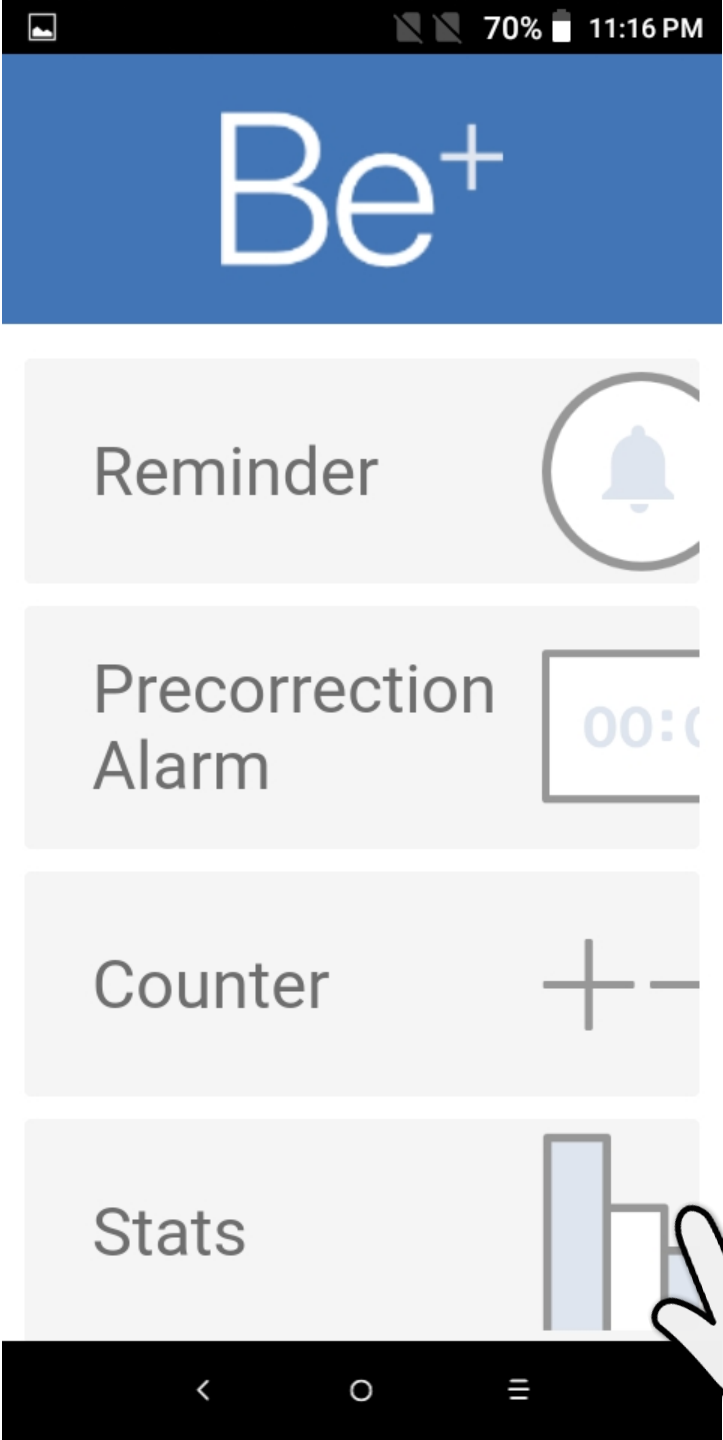
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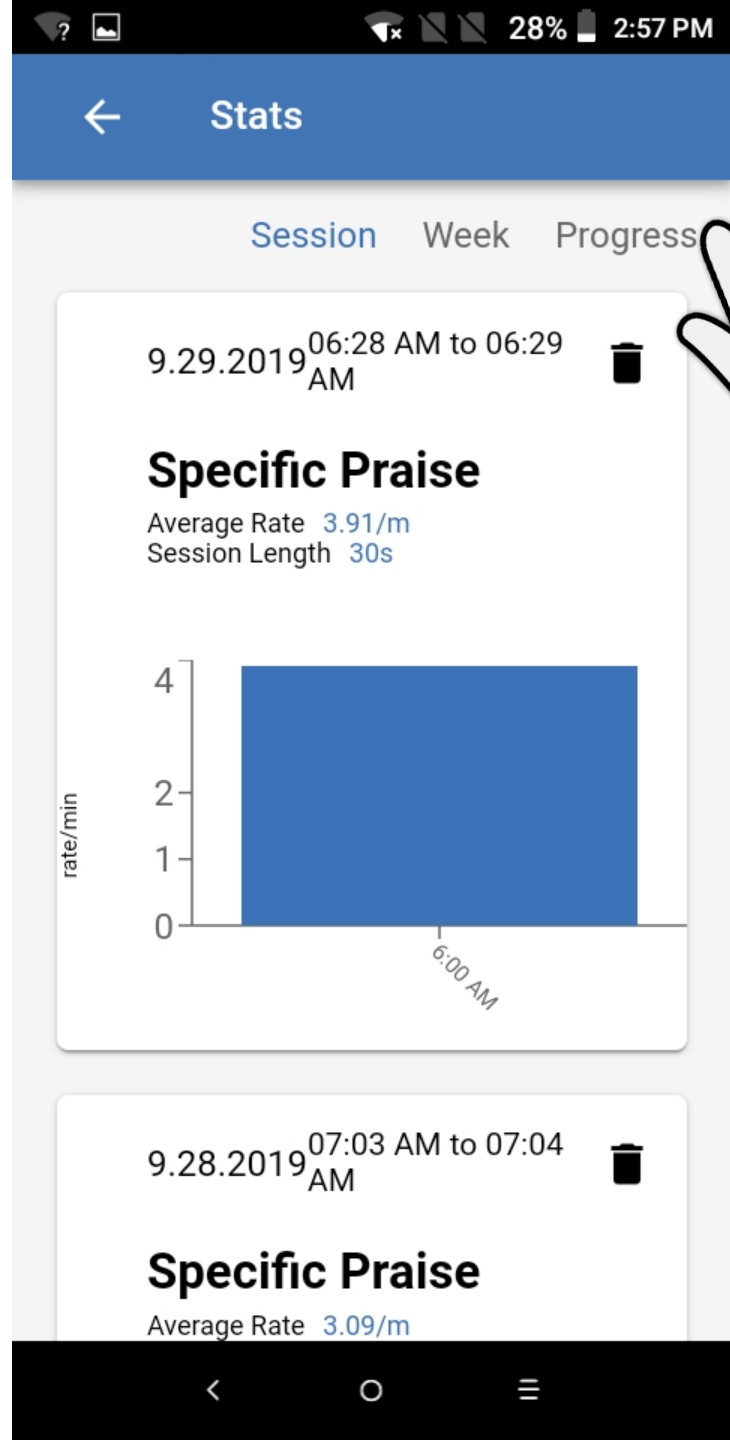
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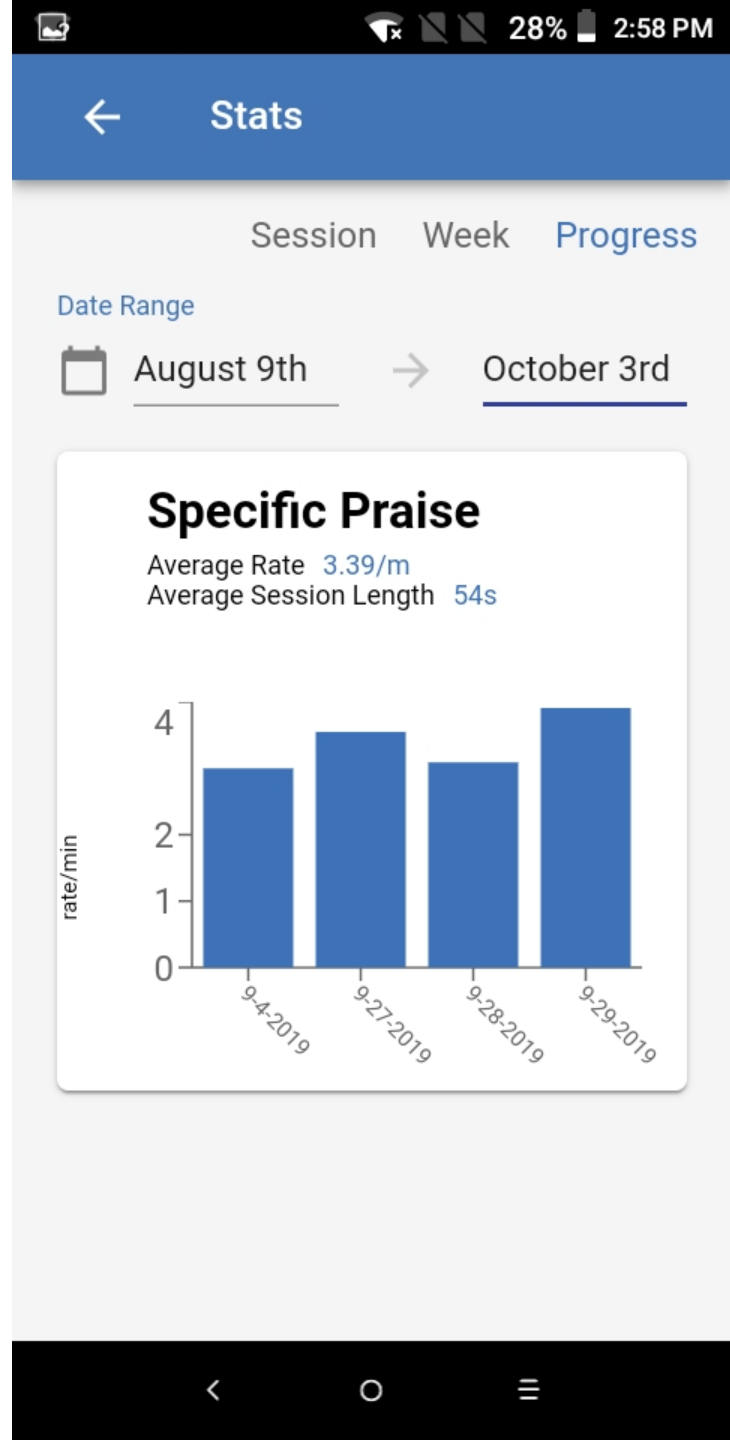
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Get Positive!

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■ iOS:

□ <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/be-be-positive/id1500031427?ls=1>



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MENU OF ADAPTATIONS

Increase contingent praise

- *Assess equitable use*

- *Praise preference assessments*

- *Planned praise*

Increase non-contingent praise

- *Greet at the door*

Get to know students

Praise Preference Assessment: Why do it?

I hope no acknowledgment
of your birthday was
exactly what you
wanted for your
birthday.

som^{ee}cards



- Think of a time when you received praise:
 - You **liked**
 - You **didn't like**
- What was it?

Praise Preference Assessment:

What is it?

- A way to identify what type(s) of acknowledgements students *like* or *dislike* receiving for showing desired behaviors
- Could be in survey or interview formats

Put a star by your favorite and an X by any you don't like.

When I do something good, I want Mrs. [REDACTED] to...

_____ Our class gets a chain.

_____ I get a WOW! Ticket.

_____ Mrs. [REDACTED] tells me I did a good job.

_____ Mrs. [REDACTED] gives me a smile or a thumbs up.

Praise Preference Assessment:

Steps for implementation:

1. Create assessment form
2. Ask students to rate the options
3. Review results to improve practices

Praise Preference Assessment:

1. Create assessment form

- Add space for student's name
- Create menu of acceptable acknowledgment options
 - ☐ Public praise
 - ☐ Non-verbal signal
 - ☐ School-wide ticket
 - ☐ Classroom points

My Name: _____

When I do something good, I would like you to:
(put a + by your favorite and a 0 by any you don't like)

_____ Give my class a classroom point

_____ Give me a school-wide ticket

_____ Tell the class I did a good job

_____ Tell me quietly or give me a thumbs up

_____ Something else: _____

When I get off track, here is a good way to get me to refocus:

Praise Preference Assessment: Resources

- <https://bit.ly/PPAexamples>

Praise Assessment Examples

My name is _____

When I am doing a good job at school, you will...

Circle the things you like and cross out the things you don't like:

Tell me quietly	Tell the whole class	Give me school wide ticket
High-five	Fist bump	Secret signal between you and me
Other?		

To be even more successful here is the help I need from you:

Praise Assessment Example

My name is _____

Put a star by your favorite and an X by any you don't like

When I do something good, I want Mr./Ms. _____ to

_____ Our class gets a chain link, marble in class jar

_____ I get a _____ ticket or token

_____ Ms./Mr. tell me I did a good job

_____ Ms./Mr. gives me a smile or a thumbs up

_____ Other?

Customize student options based on your existing (or acceptable) acknowledgment options

Praise Preference Assessment:

2. Ask students to rate the options

- Could circle/cross out, rate from 1-5, etc.

My Name: _____

When I do something good, I would like you to:
(circle your favorites and cross out any you don't like)

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Give me a school-wide ticket

~~Tell the class I did a good job~~

Tell me quietly or give me a thumbs up

Something else: _____

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Praise Preference Assessment:

3. Review results to improve

- REVIEW individual responses to **tailor praise**
- REVIEW class-wide responses to adjust **school-wide/ classroom systems**

How does he like to be praised?



Praise Preference Assessment:

Big Ideas

- Students like and dislike different types of praise (just like adults!)
- Use to improve your relationships with students and classroom acknowledgement systems

Praise Preference Assessment: Resources



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PRAISE PREFERENCE ASSESSMENTS

WHAT IS IT?

A systematic way to identify what types of praise are meaningful and motivating for individual students, through class-wide surveys or student interviews (either stand-alone or as part of Getting to Know You activities). They are used to find out a student's preferred ways to be acknowledged for desired behaviors, and results can be used for individual plans and to improve class-wide acknowledgement systems..

WHY DO IT?

Praise preference assessments are shown to improve student behavior and reduce the need for teacher reprimands by increasing students' motivation for prosocial behaviors and learning new skills (Gion,

<https://bit.ly/PPA-overview>

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assessments

- *Planned praise*

*Increase non-contingent
praise*

- *Greet at the door*

Get to know students

Planned Praise

A ReACT Strategy
Acknowledgment

<http://bit.ly/PP-overview>



Planned Praise:

What is it?

- A strategy for acknowledging a student or group of students for whom student-adult relationships could be improved
- Brainstorming a set of possible praise statements ahead of time to increase positive interactions

Planned Praise:

Why do it?

- Praise is a powerful tool for improving behavior
- Because it is so effective, it is important to:
 - Use it with all students
 - Identify students who need more positive interactions
 - Use specific strategies to increase positive feedback

Planned Praise:

How do we do it?

■ Steps

- ☐ Identify a group that could benefit from more praise and specific students from that group
- ☐ Create a glossary of strengths to praise
- ☐ Plan effective and culturally/developmentally appropriate praise statements
- ☐ Pick a time when to use them
- ☐ Do it!

Planned Praise:

1. Identify a group and students

1. Group

- ☐ With high rates of ODRs (or disproportionate ODRs)

2. Students

- ☐ With high rates of ODRs
- ☐ With few positive relationships with adults in school

Planned Praise:

Example Praise Plan

Student	Unwanted Behavior	Strength	Praise Statement	Planned Timing
Andre				
DeShawn				
Finley				

Planned Praise:

2. Create a glossary of strengths

- Expected behaviors you know they do regularly
- Unwanted behaviors that could be reframed as talents or strengths at other times (e.g., class clown behaviors)
- Characteristics that may be viewed by society as negative cultural stereotypes (i.e., microaffirmations)

Planned Praise:

Example Praise Plan

Student	Unwanted Behavior	Strength	Praise Statement	Planned Timing
Andre	none	Transitions quickly		
DeShawn	Argues with adults about fairness	Looks out for others		
Finley	Talkative, loud	A good friend		

Planned Praise:

3. Plan praise statements

■ Ensure they:

- ☐ Have the elements of behavior-specific praise (contingent, immediate, specific, and genuine)
- ☐ Are tailored to student praise preferences (e.g., public vs. private)
- ☐ Are paired with school-wide acknowledgment systems (e.g., ticket) if adult praise may currently be aversive

Planned Praise:

Example Praise Plan

Student	Unwanted Behavior	Strength	Praise Statement	Planned Timing
Andre	none	Transitions quickly	Public praise (e.g., "Thank you Andre for showing us the way")	
DeShawn	Argues with adults about fairness	Looks out for others	Quiet praise with ticket (e.g., head nod)	
Finley	Talkative, loud	A good friend	Quiet microaffirmation (e.g., "you're a good friend")	

Planned Praise:

4. Pick a Time to Use Them

■ Select times when:

- ☐ Students are most likely to show their strengths
- ☐ Students might need additional encouragement (e.g., before difficult activity)
- ☐ It is easy to remember to provide praise statements (e.g., beginning of lesson)

Planned Praise:

Example Praise Plan

Student	Unwanted Behavior	Strength	Praise Statement	Planned Timing
Andre	none	Transitions quickly	Public praise (e.g., "Thank you Andre for showing us the way")	Transition into 1st period Math
DeShawn	Argues with adults about fairness	Looks out for others	Quiet praise with ticket (e.g., head nod)	After whole-group teacher instructions
Finley	Talkative, loud	A good friend	Quiet microaffirmation (e.g., "you're a good friend")	Small group work

5. Do it!

- Use the praise statements consistently, especially at first to build the relationship (e.g., at least once a day for 10 days)
- Vary as needed to expand the range of desired behaviors

Evaluate praise plan implementation: Try using this simple form for the first 10 days of your praise plan!

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Planned Praise:

Tips for Success

- Tailoring for your students
 - To build the glossary, ask students' family members for strengths they would like to be encouraged
 - Use a praise preference assessment to identify preferred praise statements (e.g., public vs. private)

Planned Praise:

Tips for Success

- Use a system to help prompt you to use it consistently
 - Phone reminder
 - Be+ app: <https://www.pbis.org/announcements/track-positive-reinforcement-with-our-be-app>
 - Visual signal
 - Poster
 - Sticker
 - Note in lesson plan

Planned Praise: Worksheet



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1. Pick 1 to 3 students for planned praise
2. Complete the form
3. Discuss as a team
4. Share out

ReACT Strategy: Planned Praise Worksheet

1. **Identify a student**
Group of Interest: _____
Name a student from this group
 - With high rates of office discipline referrals (or disproportionate referrals)
 - With few positive relationships with adults in school
2. **Create a glossary of strengths**
 - Expected behaviors you know they do regularly
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 - Characteristics that may be viewed by society as negative cultural stereotypes (i.e., microaffirmations)
3. **Plan a praise statement**
 - Does it have the elements of behavior-specific praise (contingent, immediate, specific, genuine)?
 - Is it tailored to student preferences (e.g., public vs. private)?
4. **Pick a time**
5. **Do it!**

Student	Unwanted Behavior	Strength	Praise Statement	Planned Timing

Evaluate praise plan implementation: Try using this simple form for the first 10 days of your praise plan!

Mon		Tues		Wed		Th		Fri		Mon		Tues		Wed		Th		Fri	
Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No

What I need to get ready to implement planned praise

Action	By When
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____

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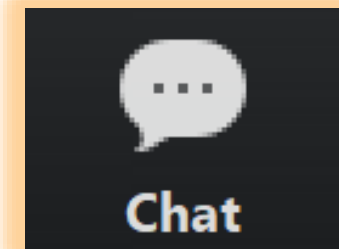
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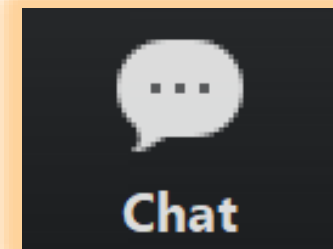
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to unwanted behavior

Share Out!



- What are some effective strategies that you use to respond instructionally to unwanted behavior?



Think and share out!

- What is your most common **don't/stop/quit/no** direction?
 - (e.g., ***“Don't run in the hallway!”***)
- What could be a **“point positive”** direction instead?
 - (e.g., ***“Please walk in the hallway!”***)
- Respond in the chat with both:
 - (e.g., “Don't run” – “Please walk in the halls”)



Praise can be public...
corrections should be private

Resources for Ditching the Clip!



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DITCH THE CLIP!
Why Clip Charts Are
Not a PBIS Practice
and What to Do Instead

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MENU OF ADAPTATIONS

Quick redirects

Nonverbal redirects

Wise Feedback

Use neutralizing routines

VABB (p. 54)

Quick Redirects

- Very brief responses to student behavior in the middle of instruction that:
 - Show empathy for students
 - Signal that instruction will continue anyway

You might be right.

I understand.

Probably so.

I hear you.

Yes, this is hard.

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Neutralizing Routine:

What is it?

- Defined

- An instructional response to unwanted behavior to use instead of a harsh response during times of increased stress

Neutralizing Routine:

Why do it?

- Helps us pause before responding, so we can proceed in a way that...
 - **Increases** positive behavior
 - **Decreases** unwanted behavior
- (Cook et al., 2018)

Neutralizing Routine:

What is it?

■ 5 critical features

- ☐ If-then statement
- ☐ Brief
- ☐ Clear steps
- ☐ Doable
- ☐ Interrupts the chain of events

Neutralizing Routine:

What is it ~~NOT~~?

NOW

x Something that is done to us

Having a privilege taken away

✓ *Make it an action you can do*

x A gentler way to exclude students

Cross-class timeout

✓ *Keep students in instruction*

x A long procedure

Stop class for a restorative circle

Running a lap around the field

✓ *Keep it brief – a quick pause
and back into the game*



Neutralizing Routine:

How do we do it?



- When you see unwanted behavior, stop and ask yourself:
 1. Can I respond in line with my values?
 - **My hot-button triggers**
 - **My decision state**
 2. If so, use an agreed-upon alternative response (the **neutralizing routine**)

Neutralizing Routine: Examples

- When I see unwanted behavior...
 - **Delay decision until I can think clearly**
 - “See me after class/at the next break”
 - Ask the student to reflect on their behavior/feelings
 - Am I acting in line with my values?
 - **Reframe the situation**
 - “I love you, but that behavior is not ok”
 - “How do we do that at school?”
 - Picture this student as a future doctor/lawyer
 - Assume student’s best effort at getting needs met
 - Respond as if the student was physically injured
 - **Take care of yourself**
 - Take two deep breaths
 - Recognize my upset feelings and let them go
 - Model school-wide “reset” strategy



Neutralizing Routine: School-wide example

■ **TRY**

- ☐ **T**ake a deep breath
- ☐ **R**eflect on your emotions
- ☐ **Y**outh's best interest
 - "Let's **TRY** that again."
 - "Let's **TRY** it a different way."
 - "Let's **TRY** to have a positive outcome."



Neutralizing Routine: School-wide “Reset”

■ **TRY** for students

- ☐ **T**ake three deep breaths
- ☐ **R**eflect on your feelings
- ☐ **Y**ou got this!

■ Social-emotional Theme

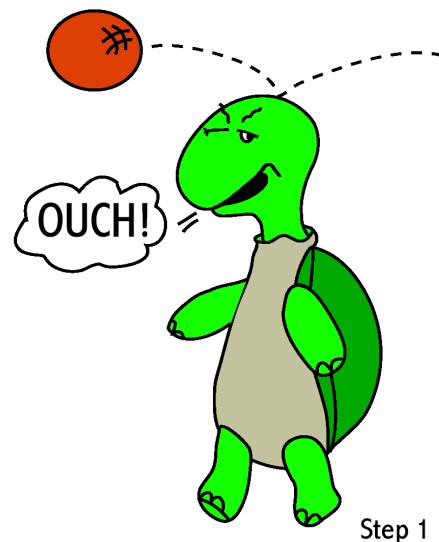
- ☐ Mistakes are part of the learning process
- ☐ We won't always do it right the first time
- ☐ We can't succeed unless we **TRY**



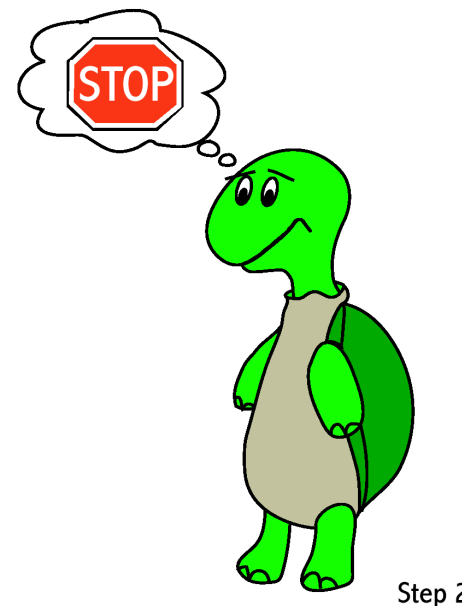
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Turtle Technique

**Recognize
that you
feel angry.**



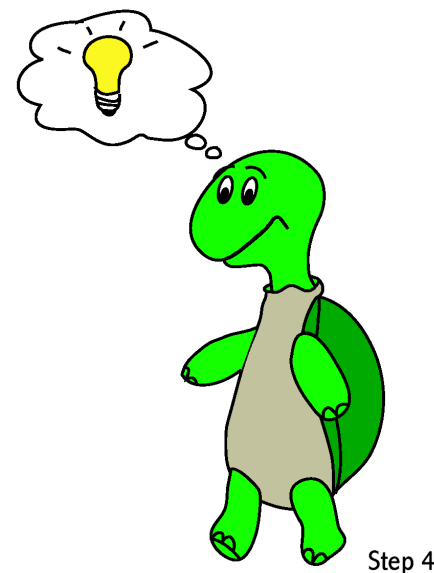
**“Think”
Stop.**



**Go into shell.
Take 3 deep
breaths.
And think
calm,
coping
thoughts.**



**Come out of
shell when
calm and
thinking of
a solution.**



Question

- How many of you already have and use a neutralizing routine?



- If so, what is it?



Neutralizing Routine:

How do we do it well?

- Peer testimonials
- Self-assessments
- Visual prompts



Take 3 deep
breaths



Reflect on
your feelings



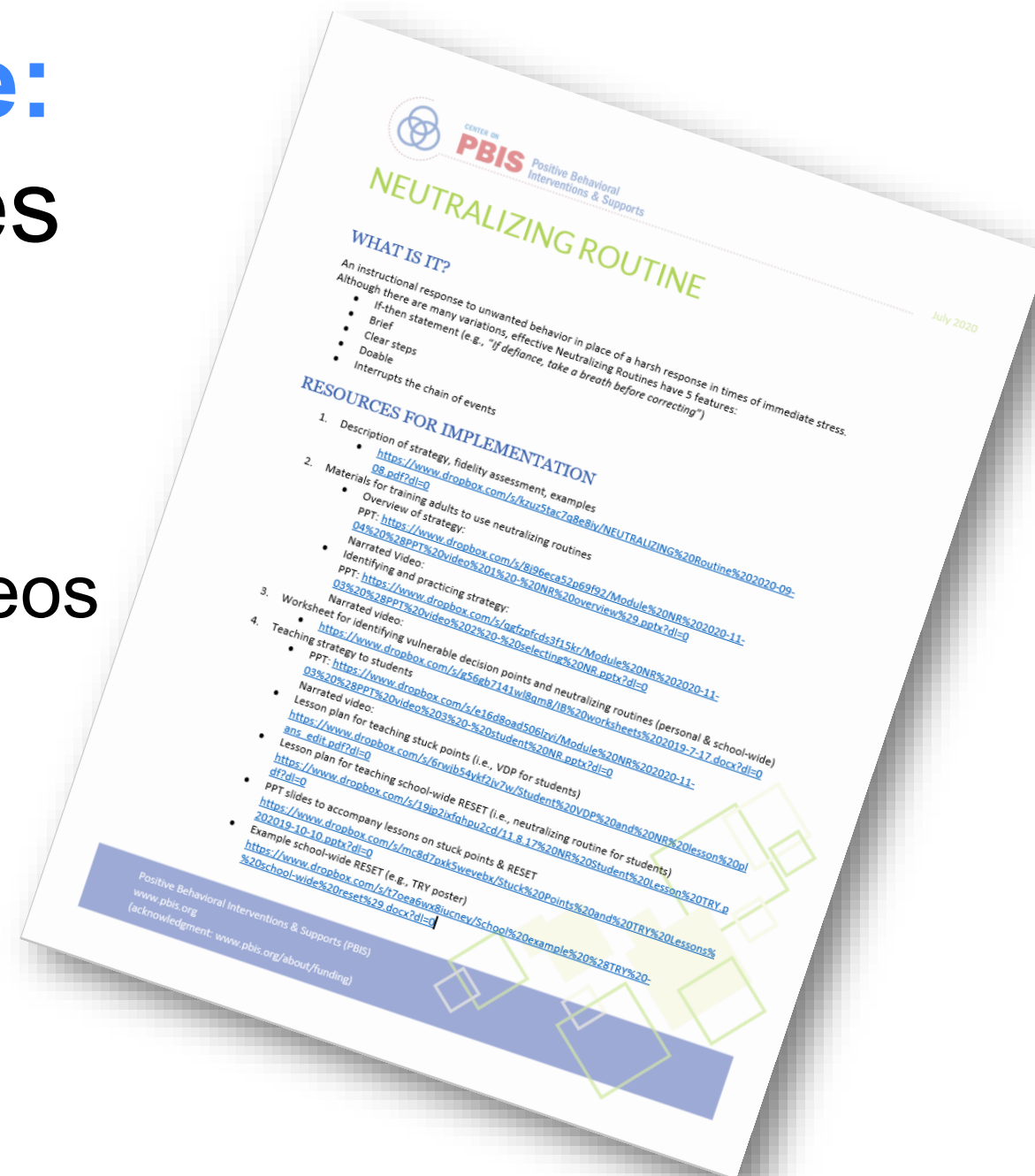
You've got
this!



Neutralizing Routine: Self-guided Resources

- 1-page overview
- Editable materials
- Narrated voice-over ppt videos

<https://bit.ly/Neutralizingroutine>



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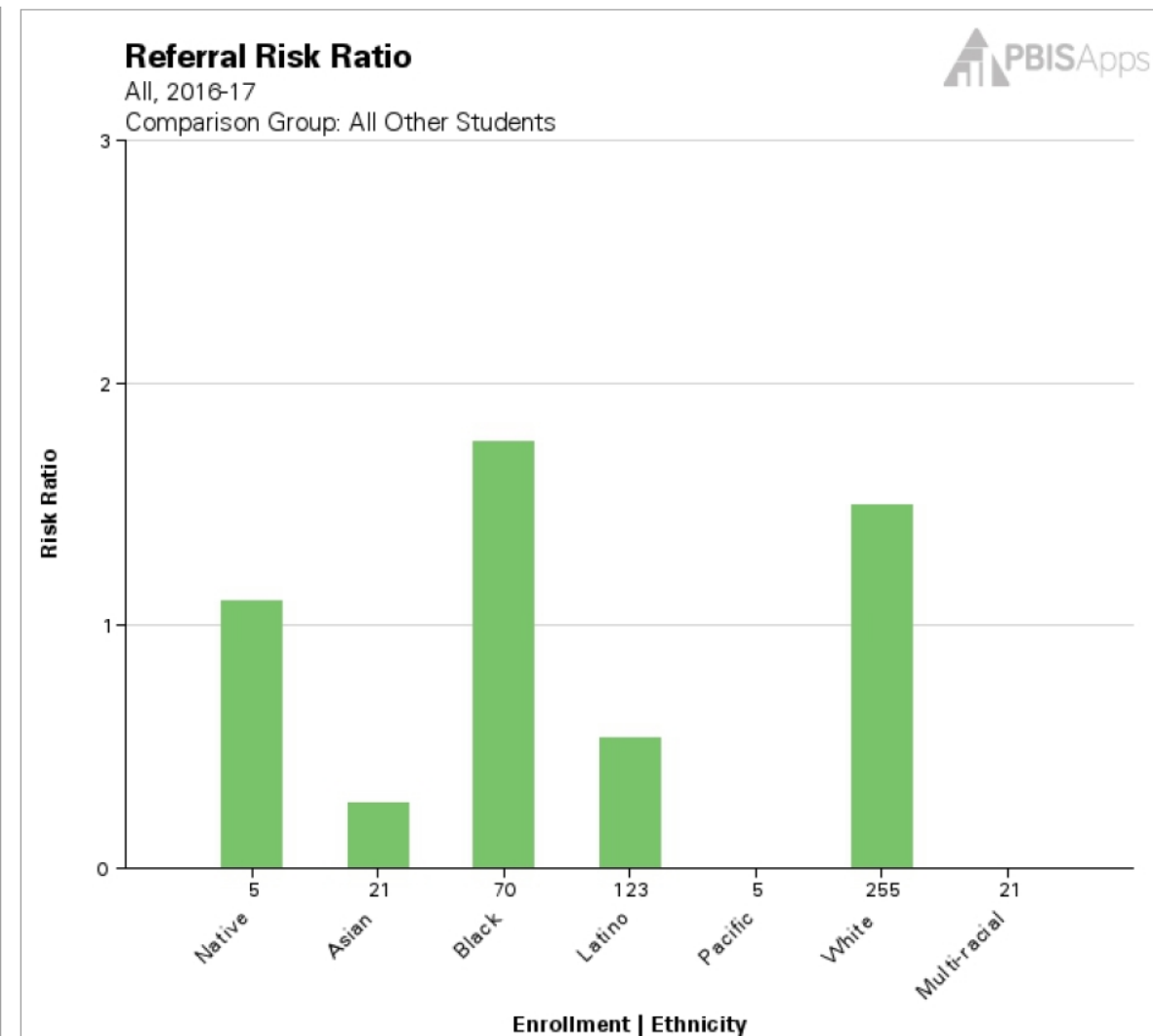
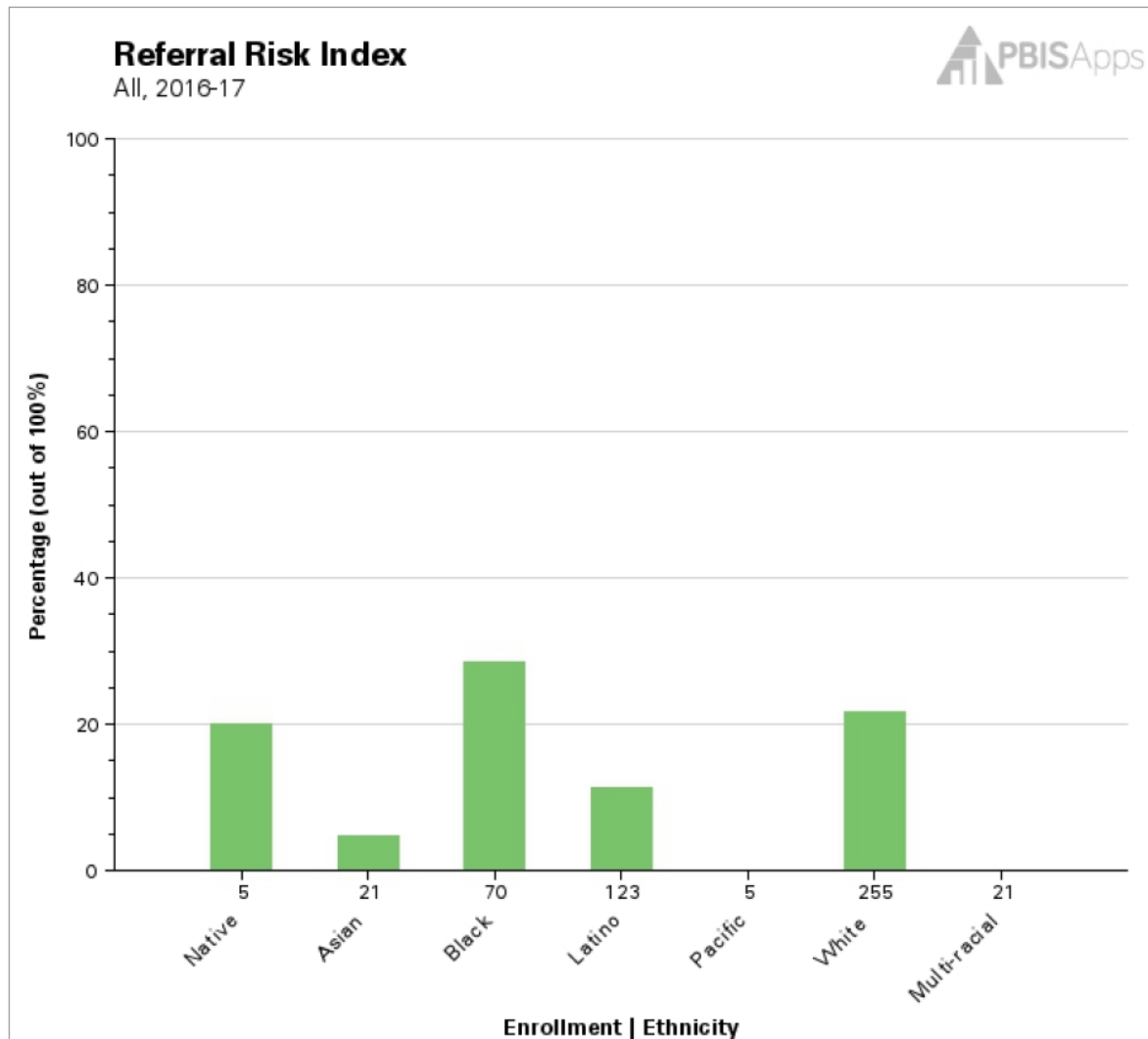
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*Collect it,
use it (for
decision making),
share it!*

School Equity Report



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5. MAKE DECISIONS

based on data

MENU OF ADAPTATIONS

Data reports

Student surveys

Quick student activities

Student/family focus groups

Formative Input Surveys

Stakeholder Input and Satisfaction Survey – Student MIDDLE/HIGH (SISS MIDDLE/HIGH) version 0.1

We would like to hear from you about how you feel about your school. This survey asks what you think about behavior at school and what should be done to enhance how we treat and relate to each other. You do not have to answer all of the questions.

This survey is anonymous – nobody will know that your answers came from you.

What grade are you in? _____

Please answer these questions by circling one answer:

What is your ethnicity?

Hispanic/Latino/a

Not Hispanic/Latino/a

I prefer not to answer

What is your race (please circle all that apply)?

American Indian/Alaska Native

Asian

Black/African American

Pacific Islander/Native Hawaiian

White

I prefer not to answer

EXPECTATIONS (how your teachers want you to behave at school)

Do you know how your teachers want you to behave at school? YES / NO

What are the school-wide behavior expectations? _____

Are the school-wide behavior expectations meaningful or important to you? YES / NO

If not, what do you think the expectations should be? _____

Are the school-wide behavior expectations the same as they are in your home? YES / NO

If not, what expectations are different at school? _____

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Do **students** usually follow the school-wide behavior expectations?

YES / NO

Do **teachers** usually follow the school-wide behavior expectations?

YES / NO

If not, give an example: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT (catching you doing things the right way)

In the past week, did you see teachers and staff reward or praise **other students** for following the school expectations? YES / NO

In the past week, did teachers and staff reward or praise **you** for following the school expectations? YES / NO

If so, were you rewarded or praised in ways that are meaningful or important to you? YES / NO

If not, how could it more meaningful or important to you? _____

Do you feel safe at school?

YES / NO

The places in the school I feel the MOST safe are:

What makes these places safe? _____

The places in the school I feel the LEAST safe are:

What makes these places NOT safe? _____

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Assessment coordinator for
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In the past week, have you **witnessed** bullying or harassment at your school? YES / NOIn the past week, have **you** been bullied or harassed at your school? YES / NO

If so, where did it happen?

RESPECT (how we treat each other)
Are **students** at your school respectful to **other students**? YES / NO
Are **students** at your school respectful to **teachers**? YES / NO
Are **teachers** at your school respectful to **students**? YES / NO
Are **teachers** at your school respectful to **other teachers**? YES / NO

Input
Surveys

Do you feel connected to **adults** at your school? YES / NO
If you have a problem, is there an adult at your school you would tell? YES / NO

YOUR PERSPECTIVE

The biggest problem with behavior in my schools is: _____

One thing teachers and staff could do better to improve behavior in my school is:

One thing teachers and staff are doing in my school that they should keep doing is:

One thing I wish my teachers knew about me is:

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME!

CORE PRACTICES of school-wide PBIS

1. DEFINE

school-wide expectations (i.e., social competencies)

2. TEACH & PRACTICE

expectations

3. ACKNOWLEDGE

prosocial behavior

4. RESPOND INSTRUCTIONALLY

to unwanted behavior

5. MAKE DECISIONS

based on data

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VOLUNTEERING IS
MANDATORY.
THANK YOU FOR YOUR
COOPERATION.

Share **one**
strategy you'll
use to increase
equity in school
discipline this
fall.

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