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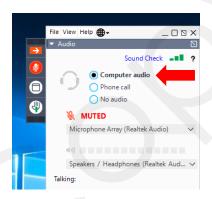
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#### **Arrival Routine**

- Greetings! ☺
- Complete pre-survey (<u>link closes at 9:30am</u>)
  - If not, complete it here: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9QDGWZZ</u>
- Get ready!
- Stronger With Involved Focused Fathers (SWIFF)





# Stronger With Involved Focused Fathers (SWIFF) Goals

- Increase father involvement in their children's development, education or school
- Reduce the stress in the co-parenting relationship
- Help fathers and father-figures develop healthy social networks
- Assist fathers and father-figures in demonstrating behavior consistent with knowledge of age-appropriate child development and expectations with children birth to age 5





- Couples will participate in the Prevention and Relationship Enhancement Program (PREP). Faith-based sessions are available.
- · Couples will participate in up to 6 sessions.
- Couples will focus on stress management and social support network development.
- Couples will learn Three kinds of safety to consider in building a healthy & happy relationship: Physical, Emotional, & Commitment
- Couples will learn the Three Keys to Successful Relationships:
- Do Your Part
- 2. Decide, don't Slide
- 3. Make it Safe to Connect
- · Couples will be able to learn at their own pace
- Couples do not have to live together to participate in the Family Relationship Education Program.
- Couples will build and maintain a nurturing and protective home environment.



Focus on Fathering Education

- Fathers & Father figures will learn about their child's physical, social-emotional, language, and intellectual development.
- Fathers will participate in 7 sessions on various topics including:
- 1. How to emotionally connect with your child
- 2. The importance of play time
- 3. Ways to build your child's self esteem
- Fathers will receive resources to enhance Read & Play activities with your child.
- Fathers will complete an ASQ-3
   Developmental Screening Tool, PICCOLO
   Checklist, & learn age- appropriate activities.
- Fathers will have an opportunity to meet & network with other supportive fathers & father figures.

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# Stronger with Involved Focused Fathers Referral Process

Call 813-564-2265

Share name &

contact
information

Send a \*PHI\* (encrypted) e-mail to cfitzpatrick@reachupincorporated.org SWIFF Staff will assist with enrollment & provide services.

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# **CALM** Community Watch Parties







#### **CALM** Connections





#### Check-in Polls

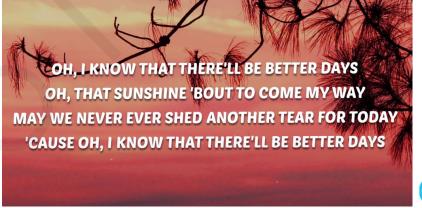
- 1. How did you feel over the holidays since our last CALM Special Session in December?
- Extremely stressed
- Moderately stressed
- Occasionally stressed
- Not stressed at all

- 2. Were you able to notice when you got stressed and tap into some calming strategies?
- Never
- Sometimes
- Often

# Happy New Year - Resolutions???



# **Better Days**





# Four Essential Components of Conscious Discipline®

1. Conscious Discipline® Brain State Model

2. Seven Powers for Conscious Adults

3. Creating the School Family

4. Seven Skills of Discipline





# Conscious Discipline® – Quick Review

- Focuses on building a School Family Early Childhood Family
- Raises achievement scores
- Strengthens self-esteem
- It is a journey that creates lasting change through a community of caring and connection ♥
- It is based on a Brain State Model
  - Helps us Respond vs. React

### Conscious Discipline® – Quick Review

- An emotional intelligence program based on brain research
- Gives teachers and adults the skills to help children become successful in school and in life
- Three core components of Conscious Discipline® are:



#### Three Brain States

- Survival State
  - Fight, Flight or Freeze (non-verbal)
  - Am I safe?
- Emotional State
  - The world is not going my way
  - Am I loved?
- Executive State
  - Optimal State of Learning, goal achievement and problem solving skills (relaxed alertness)
  - What can I Learn?

#### Just Breathe



#### Brain State Model Goals

- Remain in the executive state ourselves
  - Change our internal state from upset to calm
  - "I am safe", keep breathing, "I can handle this"



Stop/Smile

Take a deep breath

And

Relax

- Identify which internal state the child is in
- Assist the child in achieving an executive state for optimal learning
- Address the behavior by teaching a new skill

#### Brain Smart Principles Review

- 1. The best exercise for the brain is <u>exercise</u>
- 2. The brain is <u>pattern seeking</u> and <u>survival oriented</u>
- 3. Connections on the <u>outside</u> with other people build neural connections on the <u>inside</u>
- 4. The brain functions optimally when the child feels safe

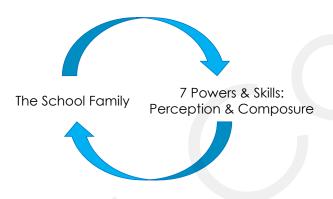
# Setting Up Our Classrooms For Optimal Learning

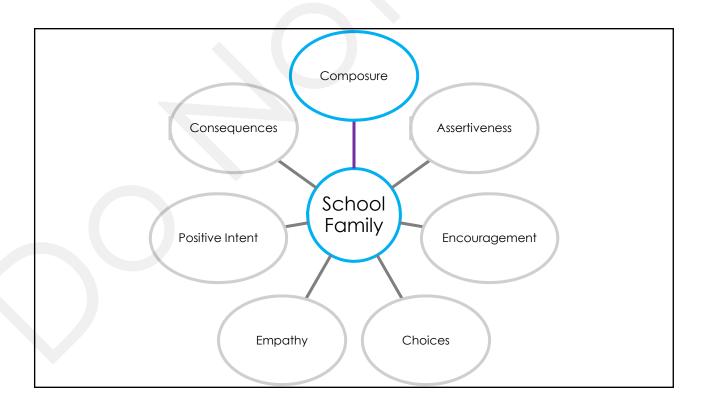
- Traditional Factory Model
  - External Motivators
    - · i.e. punishments and rewards
- Creating The School Family
  - Internal Motivators
    - i.e. Safety, Connection & Problem Solving and using the 7 Powers and Skills of Conscious Discipline®



# The School Family

• The School Family has a reciprocal relationship with the seven powers and skills of Conscious Discipline®





# Creating The School Family

#### **Routines**

Teach expected behaviors

#### Rituals

Build connections

#### **Structures**

Meet needs of **all** children







#### **Brain Smart Start**

- UNITE Greeting Song
- DISENGAGE STRESS Breathe \*
- CONNECT I Love You Ritual ♥
- COMMITMENT To help keep it safe



#### Review Session 2

Do you start your day the Brain Smart Way?

 Write down how you begin your day. Do you have activities to unite, disengage stress, connect or commit/affirm?

How many of you use the Safekeeper Ritual in your Morning Smart Start?

# Skill of Composure

The state or feeling of being calm and in control of oneself.

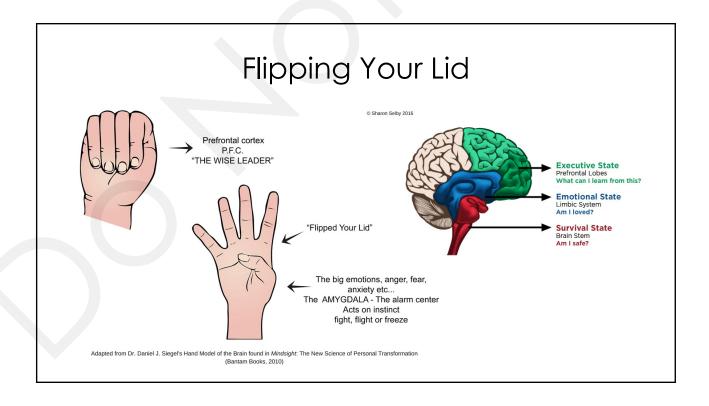


# Skill of Composure

- Self-regulation in action
  - The prerequisite skill adults need before disciplining children
- Being the person you want others to become
- Gives you access to the higher centers of your brain







### Power of Perception

#### Peace Keepers

We all have demands of time and circumstance. Peace comes from choosing, through the Power of Perception, to allow life to unfold rather than attempting to force it into a mold of what "should be" based on our past experiences and current judgments.

## Power of Perception

The goal is to take responsibility for our own upset and, in turn, teach children to be responsible for their own behavior.

# Power of Perception

No one can make you angry without your permission

- Perception determines how we react/respond
- Meanness/disrespect dictates a punitive response
- Lacking a skill results in a calming response

# Power of Perception

In any situation, we can choose to be a STAR



Stop/Smile
Take a deep
breath
And
Relax



# Benefits of Conscious Breathing

- Releases toxins from the body
- Improves the immune system
- Balances the nervous system
- Helps release unhealthy memories and stifled emotions
- Integrates our brain to engage the higher centers for optimal functioning



#### STAR Person

· Add "S.T.A.R. Person" to your student job list





"Forces beyond your control can take away everything you possess except one thing, your freedom to choose how you will respond to the situation."



-Viktor E. Frankl, psychiatrist, neurologist, Holocaust survivor

### Negative self-talk/CD-ROM

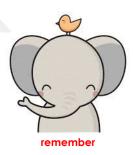
- Inner tyrant who punishes us for our mistakes
- Locks us into the lower centers of our brain
- "How stupid can I be?" "He knows better"
  - Break the negative self-talk and create a new neural network of forgiveness



# "Losing It" vs "The Better Way"

• Q Tip Method

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A child **cannot** be in a higher brain state than the adult.

## Activity to Determine Your Triggers

#### **Assumed Intent**

- ☐ You're just doing this to annoy me
- ☐ You're deliberately defying me
- ☐ You're driving me crazy
- ☐ You're intentionally tuning me out
- ☐ You're just doing this to spite me

#### Labeling

- ☐ This is just plain manipulation
- ☐ You're lazy, ungrateful, selfish, etc.
- You don't care about anyone but yourself
- ☐ You're deliberately being mean, cruel, a smart mouth, a jerk, etc.

#### Magnification

- ☐ I can't stand this one minute longer
- ☐ You've gone too far this time
- ☐ You never listen, pay attention, focus
- How dare you speak to me like that?
- ☐ You turn everything into a power struggle, lousy time, nightmare, etc.

#### **Additional Triggers**

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# Attuned or Misattuned? Working with Triggers & Temperaments

Being conscious (aware) of the Brain States in adults & children.





### Uploading Calm for Ourselves

Puts a pause between child's misbehavior and our response

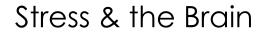


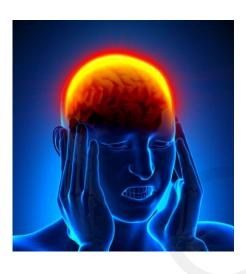
- In a Survival State: Be a S.T.A.R. by taking three deep belly breaths
- In an Emotional State: "I'm safe, keep breathing, I can handle this."
- In an Executive State: Wish Well, reframe as an Oops!, activate the Q.T.I.P. perception and Problem Solve

## Downloading Calm to Children

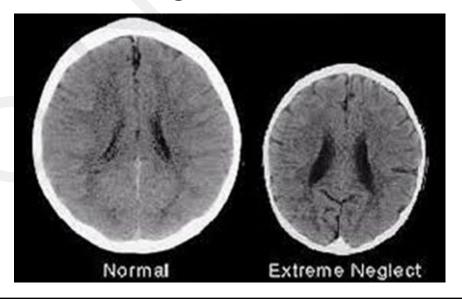
- 1. Upload calm into your body
- 2. Mirror and notice the child's body language.
  - "Your feet/body/face are going like this..."
- 3. When the child makes eye contact, take a S.T.A.R. breath
- 4. Offer the child choices or provide specific instructions







# Long-Term Stress



# Trauma, Brain & Relationships: Helping Children Heal



# Classroom Strategies

- Brain Smart Start Routine (Morning Meeting)
  - 1. Unite
  - 2. Disengage Stress
  - 3. Connect
  - 4. Commit
- Safekeeper Ritual
- Friends and Family Board/Book
- Safe Place



# Safe Place Progression

#### **Safe Place Progression**

Mother's womb

Parent's chest

Parent's lap

Home or classroom Safe Place

Inner peace











# Safe Place Self-Regulation Learning Center

Are you ready to implement this structure?

Column A	Column B
We must teach children how to compose themselves and give them the opportunity to practice.	Children should abide by the rules and know how to compose themselves by now.
All children can learn this skill.	Some children are too young, old, lazy or manipulative to learn.
Children can remove themselves as needed and return to class successfully.	Children cannot be trusted to use (rather than abuse) the Safe Place.

#### 5 Steps to Self-Regulation

(Teacher assists through process)

- Step 1: I Am Upset: signal for child to go to safe place
- Step 2: I Calm: child chooses 1 of 4 breathing strategies\*
- Step 3: I Feel: child identifies feeling from poster
- Step 4: I Choose: child chooses books, lotion, dolls, drawing
- Step 5: I Solve: child and teacher work towards a solution

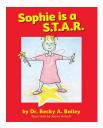
\*Adult first uploads/downloads calm to child

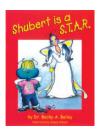
#### Safe Place Materials

- Books (Sophie is a Star)
- · Bean bag, pillows
- Breathing Icons/cubes, mats
- Sophie, Shubert, huggables
- · Photos of families
- Photos of friendship
- Calming Cream
- Magic Mist

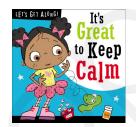


# Suggested Books



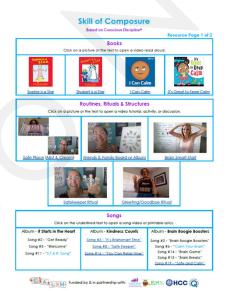






Read-alouds on our YouTube channel!

# Skill of Composure Resource Page



https://www.calmhcc.org/websites-other-resources

### Family Connection

- Send home a note about S.T.A.R. breathing to familiarize families with this concept and ask them to practice with their children.
- Also, explain the purpose of the SAFE PLACE and invite families to see it in your classroom.

#### Composure Summary

Composure	Gives you access to the higher centers of your brain
Power	Perception: No one can make you angry without your permission. You have a choice to pause, take a breath and respond instead of react.
The School Family Tool Box	<ul> <li>Brain Smart Start Routine</li> <li>Safekeeper Ritual</li> <li>Safe Place</li> <li>Friends and Family Board</li> </ul>
Strategies	<ul> <li>STAR, breathing</li> <li>"I'm safe. Keep breathing. I can handle this."</li> <li>Demonstrate: "Your face is going like this"</li> </ul>

# 7 Powers & Skills of Conscious Discipline®

Skill	Strategy
Composure	Safe Place
Assertiveness	
Encouragement	
Choices	
Positive Intent	
Empathy	
Consequences	
	Composure Assertiveness Encouragement Choices Positive Intent Empathy

# Safe Place

Where is your Safe Place?





#### Safe Place & Self Care

Self-care is giving the world the best of you, instead of what's left of you.

Katie Reed

Taking care of yourself is the most powerful way to begin to take care of others

Bryant H McGill

We are not the Survival of the Fittest, We are the Survival of the Nurtured

~ LOUIS COZOLINO

#### **RAIN**

- Recognize
- Allow
- Investigate
- Nurture



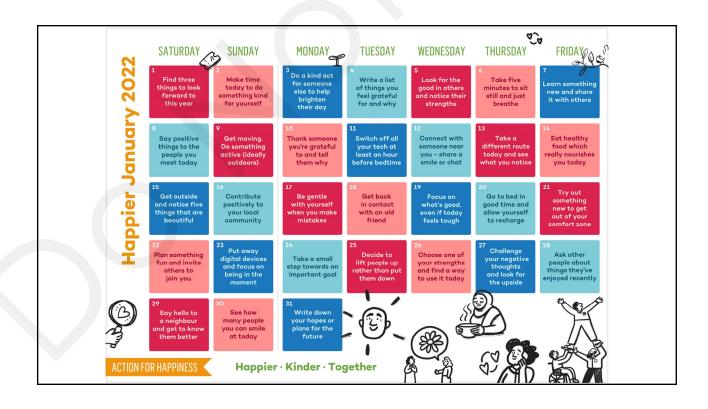
\*From Tara Brach's book on Radical Compassion (2019)

# Homework Power of Perception Reflection

- Know your TRIGGERS
- Practice uploading CALM
- Download CALM to children
- Practice being the change you want to see...
- Take notes and share for next time. Remember it's a practice.

You only have to be willing. ©





## CALM Site Supports FY2022

- Must have a minimum of 8 regular cycle trainings since October 1, 2020
- Request forms can be submitted while working to complete 8 trainings
- Request form can be found on our website, www.calmhcc.org
- The request form must be completed in its entirety; please do not leave any areas blank
- Submit your completed request form via email to bstechly@hccfl.edu
- Contact Brittany Stechly with any questions

#### **QEES** Resources

- QEES Learning Line
- <u>CALM Learning Line</u> Resources
- <u>ELM Learning Line</u> <u>Resources</u>
- YouTube Channel

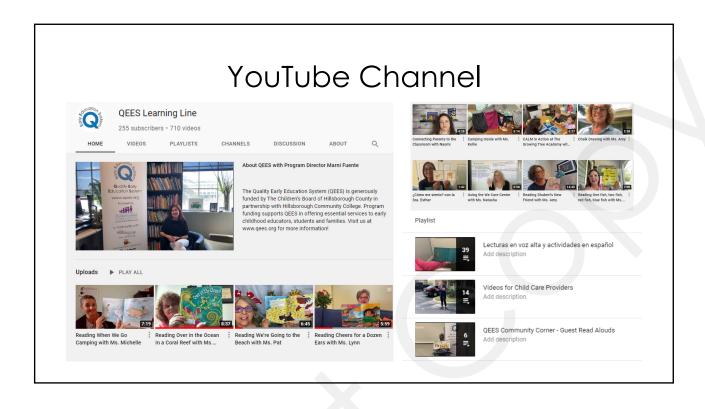














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- Check for a follow up email from <u>Laura</u> regarding the post-Assessment <u>in 1 hour</u>
- 3. After submitting the post-assessment on Survey Monkey, you will receive an email with your session certificate
  - Certificates can take up to a week to be sent out

#### End of Session Info

Post-Assessment & Evaluation
 https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/9Q2FVFN

- Register for other workshops:
  - ELM January 13<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>
  - ELM January 19th
  - QEES Business Management January 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Website
  - Register www.calmhcc.org/register
  - Teacher Portal www.calmhcc.org/calm-teacher-portal
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