



MAKE YOUR DAY

A SCHOOL-WIDE CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM THAT ALLOWS
TEACHERS TO TEACH AND ALLOWS STUDENTS TO LEARN



Why is it important to pay attention to my tone of voice and body language?

During MYD training, a great deal of emphasis is placed on the importance of maintaining a neutral tone and being respectful of students' personal space, especially during Steps and Concerns. Some teachers assume that means the entire tone of their classroom should be neutral; however, that is not the case. During Steps, our goal is to allow students time to reflect on their behavior. If any aspect of that process seems "personal" to them, they will be in a defensive posture not in a frame of mind that allows for reflection. During Concerns, we want to create a nonthreatening atmosphere in which students learn to advocate for themselves, which requires an emotionally neutral climate so that all parties can listen to the content of the information. This allows decisions to be made on the information presented with the understanding that no one wants to "get them in trouble."



More Changes...

Class sizes are increasing, budgets continue to diminish and economic pressures continue to impact the school community on all levels. Like a steamroller, there appears to be no easy way to stop or slow down the changes that are occurring so it's important to plan for them in a thoughtful. Schoolwide systems, such as MYD, are always impacted in these circumstances. We know the schools that have

implemented MYD put a great deal of time and effort into making the decision to add this program to their school. Also, schools work hard to maintain consistent implementation throughout their campuses year after year. When class sizes are passing 30 and staffs are being downsized, it can become an overwhelming project.

In order to help schools plan proactively in light of continuing change, we designed a form that was used at the last MYD Conference in 2008 to help schools make thoughtful, planned decisions about the implementation of the critical components of MYD. Feel free to use, adapt, and share this planning tool. You will find it on the website (www.makeyourday.net) under Materials: Schoolwide or you may download it here. [Make Your Day Planning](#)

Interactive Learning Opportunities via Video-Conferencing

Scheduled throughout March and April. For further information and costs, along with a registration link, go to www.makeyourday.net.



- **MYD Training - The Basics**
8 hours of training
March 23, 25, 20 and April 1
- **MYD Training for Parents**
2 hours, offered twice
April 6 and April 8
- **Managing Points and Concerns with Fidelity**
2 hours, offered twice
April 20 and April 22
- **Individualizing MYD for Selected Students**
2 hours, offered on four dates
March 17, March 31, April 14, April 28
- **Common Areas - Monitoring and Maintaining Standards**
2 hours
April 13
- **Creating a MYD Student Committee**
2 hours
March 16
- **Maximizing the MYD Student Committee**
2 hours
March 18
- **MYD School Committee**
2 hours
April 27

- **Chat with Earl Brown, MYD Developer**

2 hours, offered twice

March 24 and April 21

- **Tailored to Your School**

Arranged individually with each school. Contact Cheryl (cheryl@myd-inc.com).

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