



MAKE YOUR DAY

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



If MYD tries to make things as private as possible, why are concerns are done so publicly?

Concerns are designed to helpfully provide feedback to both the students and the teacher. Students and teachers often share feedback with each other in other academic areas in order to help each other improve. MYD provides a carefully monitored teaching structure that allows students to learn how to provide feedback to each other about behavior in a way that is not revengeful, personal, or demeaning. The end-goal is that students will not wait until Concerns to share this information with each other. In fact, when we ask for feedback from older students they often tell us they take care of these things as they happen, rather than waiting for Concerns, which is the goal. The structure of Concerns provides a protected environment in which students can have a dialogue with each other about behaviors that have interfered with learning, safety, or well-being. It becomes OK to speak up for yourself and not let others bully you or intimidate you. It allows students to learn self-advocacy skills, which they will need many times throughout their lives. Because it's hard for many of us, as adults, to accept feedback in reference to our behavior, we assume that children will feel the same way; however, when we talk to students they're fine with the feedback...if Concerns is facilitated appropriately.

Alice Strumski, another teacher in Washington, graciously gave us permission to use this...



I got a new student in my class two days ago. Today, she was playing “teacher” with some of the girls in class and I heard her wagging her finger and yell in her “teacher voice” “no talking, no talking! That’s it you are going to time out for 100 hours!” Then one of the girls that has been in my class all year leans over to her and quietly says, “No, that’s Step One.”

MYD Regional Training via Video Conferencing

If you are new to a MYD school or would like a refresher on MYD, we are offering 8 hours of training at the cost of \$80/person. Enrollment is limited to 10 each session.

Upcoming Sessions:

T-Th December 1, 3, 8 & 10 3:30pm-5:30pm Arizona Time
T-Th January 12, 14, 19 & 21 3:30pm-5:30pm Arizona Time
Sat January 9 & 17 9am-1pm Arizona

Topics:

Philosophy and Ownership of the Rule
Steps 1-4 and the Step 4 Conference
Points: Logistics and Benefits
Concerns and Closing Out the Day

Materials:

A copy of your school's MYD Training Manual
A computer with access to the internet
A camera
A headset with microphone

If your district has video conferencing capabilities, you may use those.

Prior to the training, please schedule a time with Cheryl to test your system. Call 480-419-0605 to schedule an appointment.

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