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Promoting Resilience For Now and Forever:

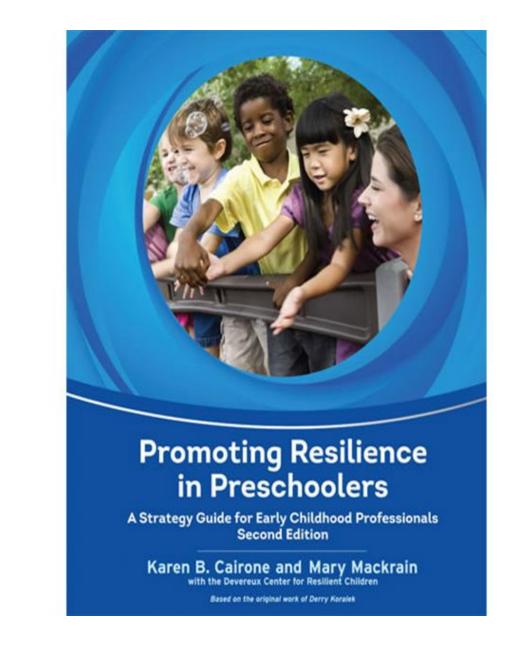
How to Set Your Child Up for Success

WHAT IS SOCIAL EMOTIONAL HEALTH?

•Social Health – helps children get along and make friends.

•Emotional Health – is related to social health. It helps children show feelings in ways that do not hurt people.

•lt is a KEY part of a child's development.



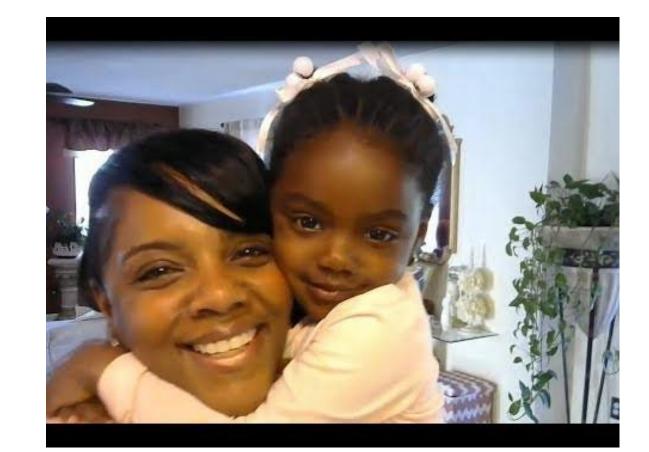
Children learn a lot about social and emotional health from parents.

> The parent-child connection is the first step.

>When children are loved and respected, they learn to care and respect others.

RESILIENCE

WHAT IS RESILIENCE?



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- 1. Identify the problem,
- 2. determine way to address it,
- 3. recover quickly,
- 4. move on.

• Coping through adversity



Promoting Resilience in Preschoolers

A Strategy Guide for Early Childhood Professionals Second Edition

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RESILIENCE: A TOOL TO BUILD SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL SKILLS

Resilience is built with three skills:

Attachment/Relationships: how does my child navigate relationships with adults and children?

Initiative: how does my child handle choices, staying focused, try new things, or persist when things get hard ?

Self-Regulation: how does my child handle big feelings?

COMMON ATTRIBUTES AMONG RESILIENT KIDS

1. Have been active and social infants.

2. Had at least one positive role model fostering trust, autonomy, and initiative.

3. Possessed one skill that gave them a sense of pride.



RESILIENCE AND ACADEMIC SUCCESS

Children that.....

Play well together

Listen

Ask for help

Engaged and interested





EARLY CHILDHOOD IS ALL ABOUT PLANTING SEEDS- PLANT SEEDS TODAY TO GROW RESILIENT ADULTS



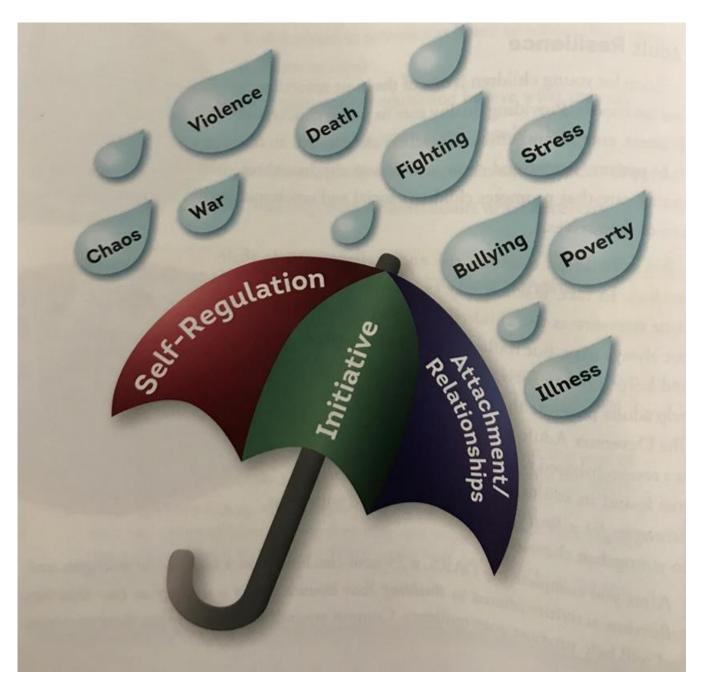
The seeds we plant today, grow into skills your children will need tomorrow!

Seeds of **initiative** today grow in an adult who can complete tasks at work and save money for "rainy days"

Seeds of **attachment** today, grow in an adult a skill of working through relationships and valuing other people's view

Seeds of **self-regulation** today grow in an adult who can hear an opposing view and not erupt or become angry and not react in an embarrassing way

RESILIENCE "PROTECTIVE FACTORS HELP WEATHER THE STORM"



SELF REGULATION IS A KEY COMPONENT

- •Handle frustration well
- •Control his/her anger
- •Show patience
- •Accept another choice when first choice not available
- •Cooperate with others
- •Share with others
- •Listen and respect others
- •Play well with others
- •Able to calm themselves down



WHY SELF-REGULATION? WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

Children who have self-regulation:

- Pay attention
- Take turns
- Make choices
- Show patience
- Cooperate with others
- Listen and respect others
- Calm down when upset

What this looks like in teenagers:

Pay attention in class even when it is boring

Talk about how they feel

Handle disagreements with friends

Accept another choice when the first choice is not available

Cooperate with others

Control their anger and their words

HOW CAN WE BUILD SELF-REGULATION IN OUR CHILDREN?

1- Help your children learn to deal with BIG emotions! NAME IT TO TAME IT

2- Give your child (and yourself) time to calm down and talk about it later.

3- Name and discuss feelings. Don't be afraid to let them express themselves.

- 4- Practice taking turns.
- 5- Offer different choices.
- 6- Have simple rules.
- 7- Be consistent.

8- Be aware of what is going on with your child. (Know their/your triggers.)

9- Use warnings to help your child get ready for change

10- Explain what to do. (Focus on the positive.)



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INITIATIVE





WHY INITIATIVE? WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

Children who have initiative will:

- Explore people and the environment around them
- Try new things
- Stick with a task even when it is hard to do
- Ask lots of questions
- Make plans for friends and create games
- Find different ways to solve problems

What this looks like in teenagers:

Learn a new skill for a job promotion

Save money to buy a car

Take photographs and make a family album

Choose a college path in high school and choose classes wisely to prepare for college

Play music in a band

Organize a school club

Create plans to be successful to juggle busy schedules

Prioritize responsibilities

HOW CAN WE BUILD INITIATIVE IN OUR CHILDREN?

Play with them. Have fun together every day.

Let your child teach you how to do something. Preschoolers love to be in charge.

Encourage your child's interests.

What will you do to build initiative in your child/children?

 Support your child's initiative by helping him or her try new things and continue to try them when they are challenging.





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ATTACHMENT

WHY ATTACHMENT? WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

Children who have strong attachment:

- Make and keep friends
- Trust others
- Enjoy being around other people
- Understand adults are a safe resource, they mean what they say through consistent and predictable routines

What this looks like in teenagers:

- Make good choices when choosing friends
- Feel willing to share problems
- •Offer support to others in need
- Understand the boundaries of relationships and not cling to others for self-validation

HOW DO WE BUILD CONNECTIONS WITH CHILDREN?

Connections are built through:

Eye contact

Touch

Presence

Playful Situations

Strategies to promote connections:

- Cuddle with your child.
- Respond when your child wants to talk and play with you
- •Use your child's name often.
- Create special hello and good-bye routines.
- Show your children how to make friends.
- Talk with your child about things he/she does well.



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USING DAILY ROUTINES TO PROMOTE RESILIENCE

WHEN DAILY ROUTINES ARE PLANNED, CONSISTENT, ENGAGING AND INDIVIDUALIZED, THEY SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF ALL THREE WITHIN-CHILD PROTECTIVE FACTORS.



| | Initiative | Self-Regulation | Attachment/Relationships |
|-----------------|--|--|--|
| School Routines | Daily routine or daily schedule | 10-minute warning until clean-up time | Building attachment fosters a sense of security |
| | Transition schedule | Explain to students what is going to happen next (if they are not on a regular schedule, ex. field trips) | |
| Home Routines | Morning routine- get dressed, brush teeth, pack book bag, get in the car, kiss everyone good-bye | 10-minute warning-we are getting in the car in 10 minutes! Follow the same routine! | Don't change a child's routine without telling them (ex. Sending someone new to pick them up without telling them) |
| | Nighttime routine- play, homework, dinner, bath brush teeth and bed | If your routine changes, please let your child know! | Building attachment fosters a sense of security |



USING THE ENVIRONMENT TO PROMOTE RESILIENCE

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A well-planned environment reflects the culture, home language, and interests of all children and their families.

HOW DOES ENVIRONMENT SUPPORT PROTECTIVE FACTORS?

Three Child Protective Factors

Initiative (IN) - demonstrated by asking questions, making and carrying out plans, exploring their surroundings, and using creativity

Toys and materials should be displayed within reach

Cozy places

•Games and materials that encourage peer interaction

An outdoor space

THREE CHILD PROTECTIVE FACTORS

Self-Regulation (SR) - children have a good relationship with others and to actively participate in daily activities and experiences

- Clearly established areas
- Rules presented
- Space for different kinds of activities where children can freely expend energy, quiet play, or be alone
- Student/Teacher ratio

Attachment/Relationships (A/R)- intentionally creating, then regularly assessing and updating an engaging environment.

- •Verbal and print communication spoken in classroom and at home
- •Toys and materials that represent children's diverse cultures and languages.

•Family photos posted throughout the classroom

BUILDING A PLAN FOR HOME

| Challenge to you | Examples | |
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| How will you commit to building resilience, initiative, and self-regulation in your children? | Allow all emotions and model for your child how to work through them Support you children with helping around the home | |
| What will you do to build a stronger attachment to your child? | Spend 5 minutes with your child daily, no technology and no interruptions Find your child's interests and share in them | |
| What will you do to foster your own resilience as a parent and take care of yourself? | Find your hobbies you have forgotten Take some deep breaths when upset to get a calm mind Find some activities that calm you and be available for them | |

QUESTIONS/COMMENTS



SIGN-IN IN THE CHAT BOX TO RECEIVE CREDIT

Include the following:

Student's First and Last Name

Attending Parent's First and Last Name

Teacher's Name