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HOLSTON PRIORITY 2021-2022:
INSTILLING EMPATHY AND
ACCOUNTABILITY FOR
OTHERS' FEELINGS

Let's stop
waiting for a
BETTER WORLD.

Let's start
working on it.

TOGETHER





In this newsletter..

EMPATHY

ASPEN AND CANVAS PARENT INFO

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN YOUR STUDENT'S GRADE LEVEL

Empathy

EMPATHY IS THE ABILITY TO UNDERSTAND AND SHARE THE FEELINGS OF ANOTHER.
CAN YOU TEACH EMPATHY? YES. BUT TEACHING EMPATHY DEPENDS ON MORE THAN BEING A GOOD ROLE MODEL. IT DEPENDS ON MORE THAN ASSIGNING KIDS A FEW EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES. WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND THE PSYCHOLOGY OF EMPATHY, AND THE BASIC SKILLS THAT STUDENTS NEED TO SHARE EMOTIONS, READ MINDS, AND OFFER HELP.

THE WORD, "EMPATHY" HAS BECOME A CATCH ALL TERM FOR AT LEAST THREE DISTINCT PROCESSES:

- FEELINGS ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL'S EMOTIONS
- REASONING ABOUT ANOTHER PERSON'S PERSPECTIVE
- WANTING TO HELP FEELING SYMPATHY FOR SOMEONE WHO IS VULNERABLE OR DISTRESSED.

LEARN MORE HERE!









ASPEN AND CANVAS PARENT INFO

AS WE BEGIN A NEW SEMESTER. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU ARE HELPING YOUR STUDENT BY KEEPING UP WITH WHAT THEY'RE DOING AT SCHOOL VIA ASPEN AND CANVAS.

LEARN MORE ABOUT HOW TO USE ASPEN AND CANVAS VIA THE OR CODES!

ASPEN HELP OR



LEARN MORE HERE!

CANVAS HELP OR



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- LESSONS
 - o 03 Erin's Law Part 2
 - Personal Power
- EMPATHY!
 - Working on this school wide.
- ACADEMIC SMALL GROUPS
 - TEST TAKING SKILLS/ ORGANIZATIONAL

SKILLS / KEEPING UP WITH

ASSIGNMENTS / PLANNING



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- LESSONS
 - O3 Erin's Law Part 2
 - A.C.T ABUSE. DISCLOSURE.
 & GETTING HELP
- SELF REGULATION SMALL GROUPS
- EMPATHY
 - A SCHOOL WIDE GOAL!
 - CHECK OUT THE ARTICLE ON THE

FRONT OF OUR NEWSLETTER!

PEER MEDIATION



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- LESSONS
 - o 03 Erin's Law in January
 - Staying Safe in a Virtual
 World
- HIGH SCHOOL FAMILY NIGHTS BEGIN NEXT
 OUARTER
- STUDENTS WILL RECEIVE PRE- ACT RESULTS
 IN JANUARY/ FEBRUARY
- GOING ON MATERNITY LEAVE MID FEBRUARY
 - WE HOPE TO HAVE AN INTERIM

COUNSELOR FOR OUR 8TH GRADERS