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"Do the best you can until you know better. Then when you know better, do better.

Maya Angelou

## TODAY'S PURPOSE

- Understand the impact
- Trauma awareness with current systems
- Resources and practices
  - http://bit.ly/trauma-informed-education
- Action step

Turn and Talk with a partner

What does a Safe & Supportive school look like, sound like, and feel like?

### Trauma-Informed Care



## Think, Pair, Share

How would you define trauma?

Trauma is not the event.

Trauma is the response.

Each individual responds differently.

STOP ASKING: What is wrong with this student?
AND START ASKING: What has happened to this student?

### Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES)

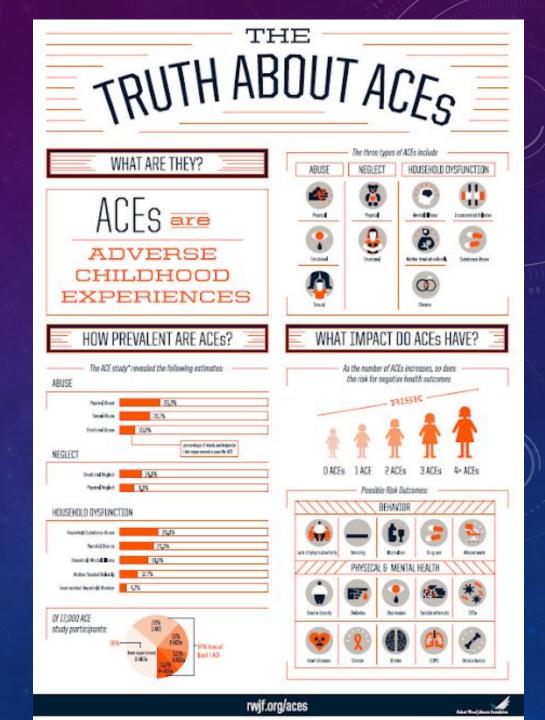


# ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES:

ABUSE

NEGLECT

DYSFUNCTION (Family)



### WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

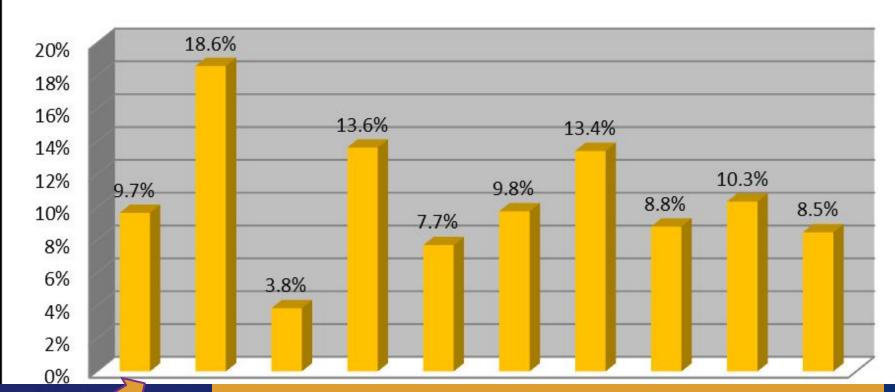
Early Death Disease, Disability, and Social Problems Adoption of Health-risk Behaviors Social, Emotional, and **Cognitive Impairment Disrupted Neurodevelopment Adverse Childhood Experiences** 

Mechanism by Which Adverse Childhood Experiences Influence Health and Well-being Throughout the Lifespan Death

Conception

## ACE'S REPORTED BY KINDERGARTEN PARENTS AT SCREENING:





WAYNE COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICTS

K READY SURVEY- Wayne County 2016 554 out of 1007 Kindergarten Students

## LOCAL K SCREEN: CHILDREN WITH 2 OR MORE "ACE" \*:

- 3 times <u>more</u> likely to not calm down when upset.
- <u>Twice</u> as likely to not be able to independently button or zipper clothing.
- 13 times <u>less</u> likely to be able to focus on activity other than TV or computer.

## LOCAL K SCREEN: CHILDREN WITH 2 OR MORE "ACE":

- 5.7 times <u>more</u> likely to ignore rules at home.
- 4.3 times <u>more</u> likely to never read with parent/adult.

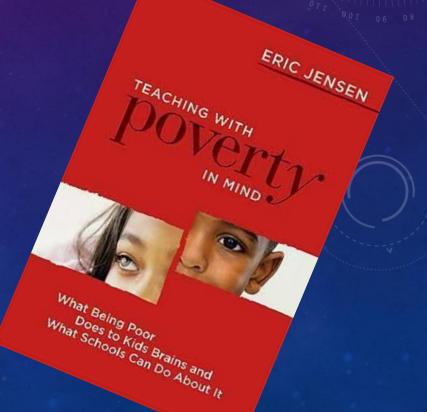
### CHILDHOOD TRAUMA

Evalumetrics Youth Survey - 2017	2017	ACE 2 or less	ACE>2	Ratio
Used Alcohol in Past 30 Days	20.6%	15.3%	31.5%	2.1
Smoked Cigarettes in Past 30 Days	6.6%	4.1%	12.4%	3.0
Used Any Other Drug in Past 30 Days	2.0%	1.1%	4.2%	4.0
Felt Sad/Depressed	41.2%	29.0%	68.1%	2.3
Self-injury	17.7%	13.2%	42.0%	3.2
Planned Suicide	10.4%	4.7%	25.3%	5.3

### POVERTY ASIDE

You can be poor and feel:

- -Safe
- -Loved
- -Proud



### **POVERTY & TRAUMA**

RISK FACTOR/BEHAVIOR	ACE 2 OR MORE	FOOD INSECURE	вотн
Anti-social Behavior	4.1X	1.4X	4.2X
Friends Use Drugs	7.8X	5.9X	58.8X
Lack Attachment To Family	3.4X	3.4X	5.3X
Plan Suicide	6.6X	3.7X	9.8X
Alcohol Use	4.8X	3.6X	8.0X
Marijuana Use	4.3X	3.6X	8.0X
Other Drugs (Opioids, Cocaine etc)	4.8X	11.6X	8.8X

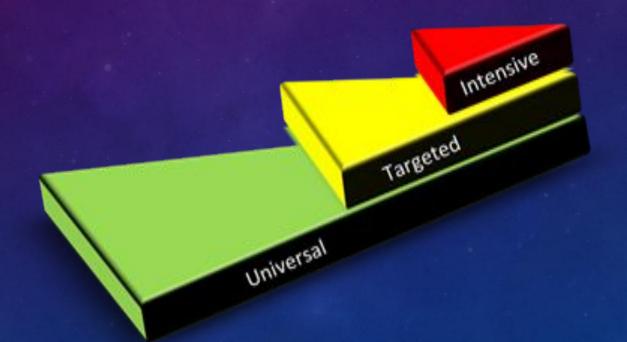


### ADAPT, NOT ADDITIONAL



DON'T THINK
 "MORE"—
 THINK "ADAPT
 CURRENT PRACTICE"

## TIERED INTERVENTION



# WE BEGAN TO UNDERSTAND TO BE "CULTURALLY EQUITABLE, VALID, KNOWLEDGEABLE & RELEVANT" MEANT WE HAD TO BE TRAUMA INFORMED.....

Vincent, Randall, Cartledge, Tobin, & Swain-Bradway 2011; Sugai, O'Keeffe, & Fallon, 2012ab

Culturally Equitable Academic & Social Behavior Expectations

Culturally Knowledgeable Staff



Culturally Valid
Information for
Decisions

Culturally Relevant & Effective Instruction







## SMALL GROUP ACTIVITY

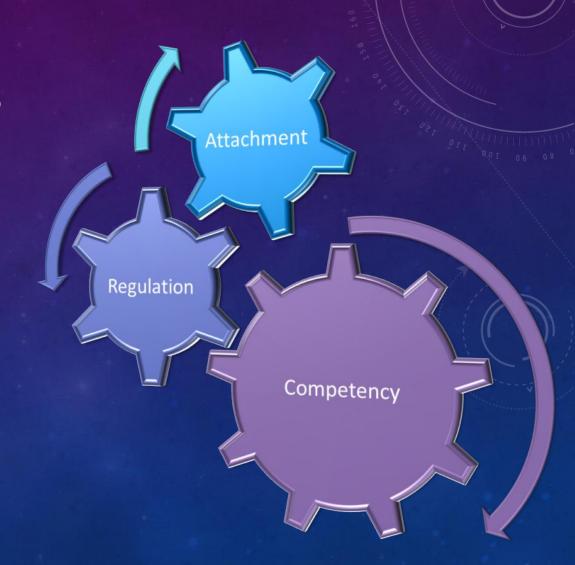
- At your tables, quietly read the handout provided at your table (Reading 1 or Reading 2)
- After finishing the reading, discuss the points you felt were most important or meaningful to you with 1 or 2 other people at your table
- Next, find someone from a table that read the other handout and share the most important points with them
- Finally, return to your original seat for a whole group debriefing exercise

## A FRAMEWORK TO HELP

**ATTACHMENT** 

REGULATION (SELF)

COMPETENCY



#### **ATTACHMENT:**

TIER 1: ALL

Positive relationships between all staff & students (clear expectations help!)

Opportunities for clubs, sports & other extracurricular activities

Involvement in learning!

TIER 2: SOME

Check In/Check Out

**Check & Connect** 

Small groups formed for particular students

**Peer Mentoring** 

TIER 3: FEW

Counseling

**Individual Plans** 

#### **REGULATION:**

#### **TIER 1:**

A few clearly stated expectations with explicit instruction consistently shared among all staff

Second Step taught universally to all students

Model "how to" for self-regulation adults & peers

#### TIER 2:

Check In/Check Out

**Check & Connect** 

Small group re-teach (can use Second Step)

#### **TIER 3:**

Counseling

Individual Plans (FBA/BIP)

#### **COMPETENCY:**

#### **TIER 1:**

Strong and engaging classroom instruction for all students

Differentiated instruction

Skill based clubs (strategy games, gardening, cooking!)

Music & Art Classes!

PERSONALIZED LEARNING & INNOVATION

#### **TIER 2:**

Check In/Check Out

Small group re-teach (can use Second Step)

After school programs

#### **TIER 3:**

Counseling

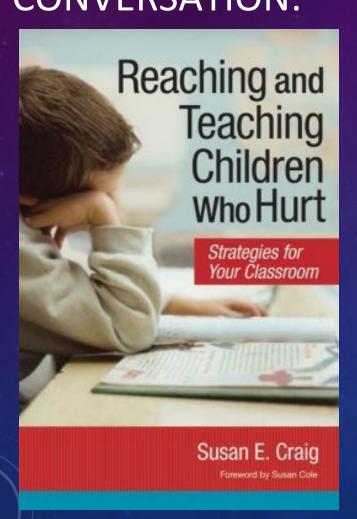
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## Small Group Discussion

What is one thing you are currently doing in your school/district that helps students with attachment, regulation, or competency?



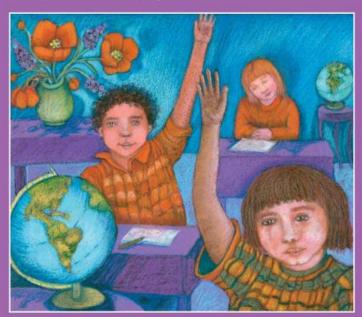
## BOOK STUDIES & PLC'S HELPED START CONVERSATION:



## Helping Traumatized Children Learn

supportive school environments for children traumatized by family violence

A Report and Policy Agenda

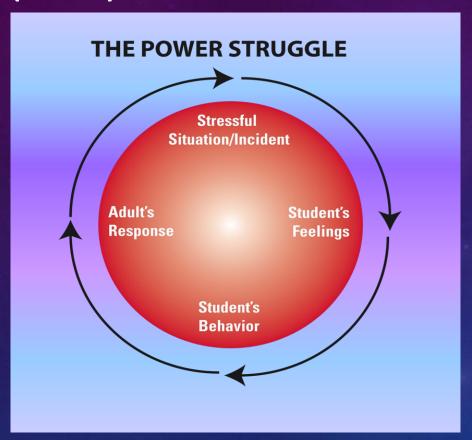


Massachusetts Advocates for Children: Trauma and Learning Policy Initiative In collaboration with Harvard Law School

and The Task Force on Children Affected by Domestic Violence

(Both of these are on your resource handout)

# Therapeutic Crisis Intervention for Schools (TCIS)









## YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

TAKE A COURSE. SAVE A LIFE.

ANYONE, ANYWHERE CAN **#BETHEONE** TO **MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE**OF SOMEONE WITH A MENTAL HEALTH OR SUBSTANCE USE CHALLENGE!

## SELF- CARE HOW DO YOU RECHARGE & HEAL?

WHO IS "THAT PERSON" FOR YOU TO GO TO WHEN YOU NEED HELP?



MENTAL/ PSYCHOLOGICAL	SOCIAL/ BEHAVIORAL	PHYSICAL/ HEALTH
REFLECTION	BOUNDARIES	REST
BOUNDARIES	USE VACATION	NUTRITION
SOLITUDE	PEER SUPPORT	EXERCISE
READING	HUMOR/LAUGH	SUNSHINE

Find a partner you have not worked with yet today

Discuss one action step you can take in the near future to make your school/district more responsive to trauma.

### ADAPT, NOT ADDITIONAL



 IN SCHOOLS, MUCH OF WHAT IS ALREADY DONE CAN BE Integrated INTO A TRAUMA INFORMED APPROACH!!

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## THANK YOU!

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