## **PBIS Early Learning Webinar**

#### "How To Interact With Friends"

#### Covid-19 Series



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## **Learning Objectives**

#### At the end of this webinar participants will...

- ✓ Learn the importance of developing friendship skills during early education years
- ✓ Explore the impact of Covid-19 on students' socialization
- ✓ Share strategies for promoting friendships during in-person and virtual learning formats
- ✓ Access helpful resources to promote friendship skills

## **Social Skills Development**

#### **Pre-K through Grade 5**

# Pre-K & Kindergarten

- Would rather play with other children than alone
- Cooperates with other children
- Talks about what he/she is interested in
- Wants to please and be like friends
- Is sometimes demanding and sometimes very cooperative

# 1<sup>st &</sup> 2<sup>nd</sup> **Grade Students**

- Enjoy being part of a team/group
- More easily influenced by peers
- May crave approval from others/eager to please
- Start being very aware of other people's feelings
- Are more aware of how others see them
- Form and break friendships easily
- Become more competitive

## **Social Skills Development**

#### **Pre-K through Grade 5**

### 3<sup>rd -</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Students

- Peer acceptance is increasingly important
- Peer pressure increases
- Begin to solidify friend group
- Friendships and social group become high priority
- Students better able to cooperate with one another







## Impact of COVID-19 on Students' Socialization









#### Let's Learn From Each Other!

We all know that teaching and promoting friendship skills in the midst of social distancing and virtual learning can be particularly challenging...

Resources/Tools?

Activities?

Please share one way you or your fellow teachers are strategically promoting and teaching friendship skills in the midst of COVID-19.

Lesson Plans?

Routines?

## **Promoting Friendships During In-Person Learning**

#### Pre-K through 1st Grade



## **Promoting Friendships During In-Person Learning**

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade



## **Promoting Friendships During Virtual Learning**

#### **Pre-K through 1st Grade**



## **Promoting Friendships During Virtual Learning**

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade



#### Resources

#### **GSU Best Practices SEEDS for Success**

#### **Scripted Stories**

"I Can Give a Compliment"

"CALi is a Super Friend When She Takes Turns"

"CALi is a Super Friend When She Shares"

"CALi is a Super Friend When She Uses Kind Words"

"CALi is a Super Friend"

"Being a Good Friend"

#### **Pintables & Posters**

**Super Friend Poster** 

**Problem Solving Cards** 

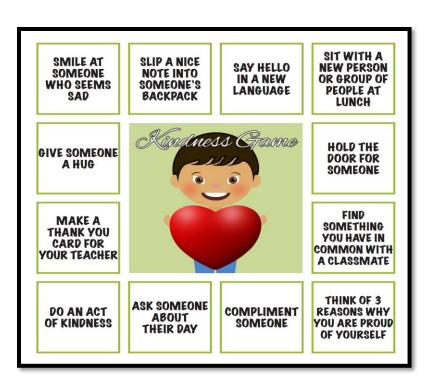
No-Touch Greetings

I Can Help My Friends Poster

I Can Be Kind Poster

<u>Friendship Skills Poster</u>

Kindness Game

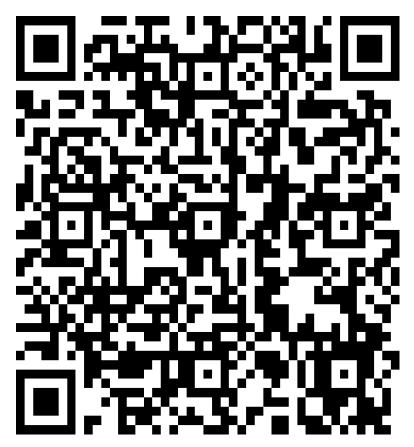


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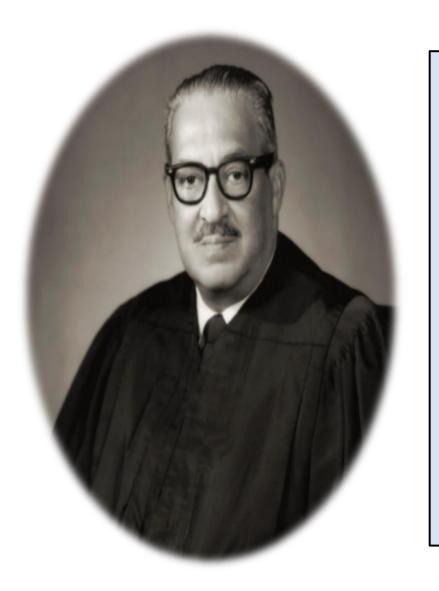


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"In recognizing the humanity of our fellow human beings, we pay ourselves the highest tribute."

-Thurgood Marshall-







