Guiding Principles

The guiding principles developed and affirmed by the steering committee are meant to create a framework for action. They serve as guideposts that express aligned values in the work to create or build upon positive, productive, and equitable school climates. **As educators take up this effort, they will both rely on and build upon the following guiding principles:**

- Maximize the time students are in school and learning.
- Cultivate systems that acknowledge and remedy the root causes of students' and educators' challenges in school.
- Leverage data to inform equitable disciplinary systems.
- Engage the entire school community in professional development and accountability systems that encourage alignment on the school's intended processes and cultural goals.

The list of free resources includes:

- *Positive Discipline Models and Practices*
  - Blueprint for Schoolwide Positive Behavior Support Training and Professional Development
  - Educator Toolkit: How to Fix School Discipline
  - Positive School Discipline Course for School Leaders
  - Practice Guide: Reducing Behavior Problems in the Elementary School Classroom
  - Schoolwide Positive Behavior Support: Implementer's Blueprint and Self-Assessment
  - Classrooms with Revolving Doors: Recommended Practices for Elementary Teachers of At-Risk and Highly Mobile Students
  - Classrooms with Revolving Doors: Recommended Practices for Middle Level and High School Teachers of At-Risk and Highly Mobile Students

- *School Community Development*
  - Community Action Toolkit: Bullying Prevention Training
  - Creating a Safe and Respectful Environment in Our Nation's Classrooms
  - Fostering School Connectedness: Staff Development Program
  - Three Bold Steps for School Community Change: A Toolkit for Community Leaders

- *Working with Students with Disabilities*
  - IDEA: Key Issues in Discipline
  - IRIS Training Module: He Just Needs a Little Bit of Discipline

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- **Rethinking School Discipline 101 – Why It Matters**
- **Rethinking School Discipline 102 – In Schools and Districts**

Report: Charter School Discipline: Examples of Policies and School Climate Efforts from the Field

The report profiles four charter schools with innovative approaches to discipline: Health Sciences High and Middle College, KIPP Bay Area Schools, New Orleans College Prep Network, and Rowe Elementary School. The report presents each school's culture, discipline programs, results and emerging issues.