

Responsive Classroom Course for Secondary Educators

For educators of grades 6-12

Teaching middle and high school students today is more complex than ever. Rising mental health challenges, shifting attention spans shaped by technology, alongside the pressure to meet high academic standards, while building authentic connections with adolescents, can leave educators stretched thin and in search of solutions to connect with students and support their success. This three-day course, grounded in the research-based practices and strategies of the Responsive Classroom approach, gives educators practical strategies to create learning environments where students feel emotionally safe, respected, and motivated to learn. Educators will learn how to build positive relationships, guide prosocial behaviors, and implement engaging lessons.

Discover practical strategies to strengthen teacher–student relationships, build consistent routines, and foster autonomy, belonging, and responsibility. Explore relationship-centered approaches to discipline that keep students engaged and invested in their learning.

Experience:

- Hands-on learning
- Modeling of proven strategies
- Meaningful problem-solving
- Guided reflection

Leave with:

- Tools to build meaningful relationships with adolescents
- Consistent routines that support autonomy and accountability
- Communication strategies that motivate rather than manage
- Discipline approaches rooted in empathy and responsibility

Participants receive:

- **Three Days of Professional Learning (21 hours)**
- **Course Materials and Recognition**
 - Resource Book with Reflective Practitioner’s Self-Assessment
 - *Yardsticks: A Guide to Developmental Milestones for Children and Adolescents, 5th edition*
 - A certificate of completion and a digital badge
- **Fly Five:** An instructional support curriculum with lessons and tools that strengthen learning behaviors, classroom routines, and communication skills needed to fully engage in academic instruction.
 - Grades 6-8: One-Year Curriculum License
 - Grades 9-12: High School Toolkit

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