

TRAUMA INFORMED SCHOOLS: A JOURNEY

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TRAUMA IS NOT THE EVENT.

TRAUMA IS THE RESPONSE.

**EACH INDIVIDUAL RESPONSE TO CHRONIC
OR ACUTE STRESS DETERMINES THE LEVEL
OF TRAUMATIC IMPACT.**

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

TODAY'S PURPOSE

- For participants to:
 - Gain a cursory understanding of the impacts of childhood trauma,
 - Come away with a collection of recommended resources and practices for work with students.
 - <http://bit.ly/trauma-informed-education>

ACES

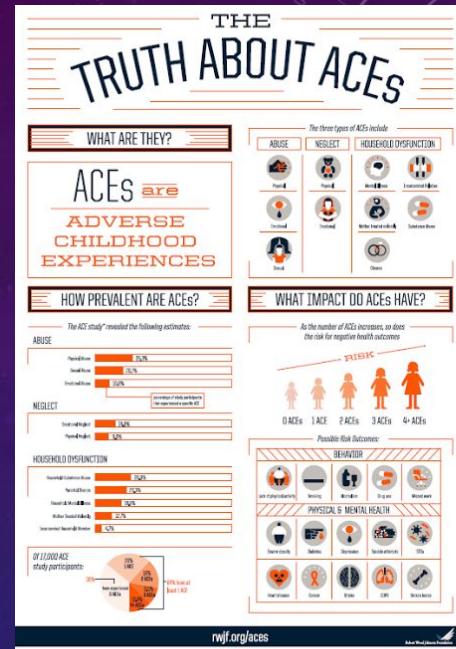
- ACE's STUDY
- TOXIC IMPACT OF STRESS
- NEUROLOGY
- IMPACT ON BIOLOGY/PHYSICAL HEALTH
- NEED FOR A 'PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE'



ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES

- ABUSE
- NEGLECT
- DYSFUNCTION
(Family)

HANDOUT



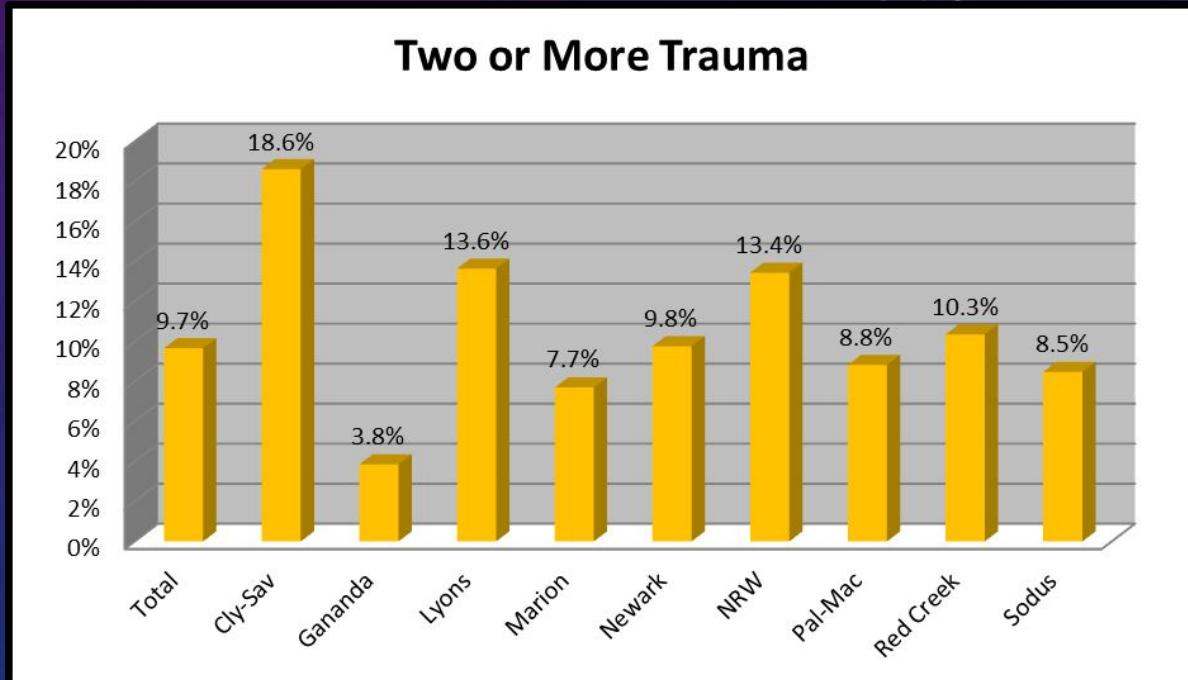
Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) - potentially traumatic events with negative, lasting effects on health and well-being

ACE'S REPORTED BY KINDERGARTEN PARENTS AT SCREENING:

Adverse Childhood Experiences that families commonly encounter.

How many of the following events have happened to or around this child:

- death of a parent
- parental divorce or separation
- incarceration of a parent
- drug or alcohol abuse
- mental health problems
- domestic violence
- physical neglect
- emotional neglect
- physical abuse
- emotional abuse
- sexual abuse



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

LOCAL K SCREEN: CHILDREN WITH 2 OR MORE “ACE” *:

- 3 times more likely to not calm down when upset.
- Twice as likely to rarely play with children outside the family.
- Twice as likely to not be able to independently button or zipper clothing.
- 13 times less likely to be able to focus on activity other than TV or computer.
- Less than half as likely to have been breastfed for more than 6 months.

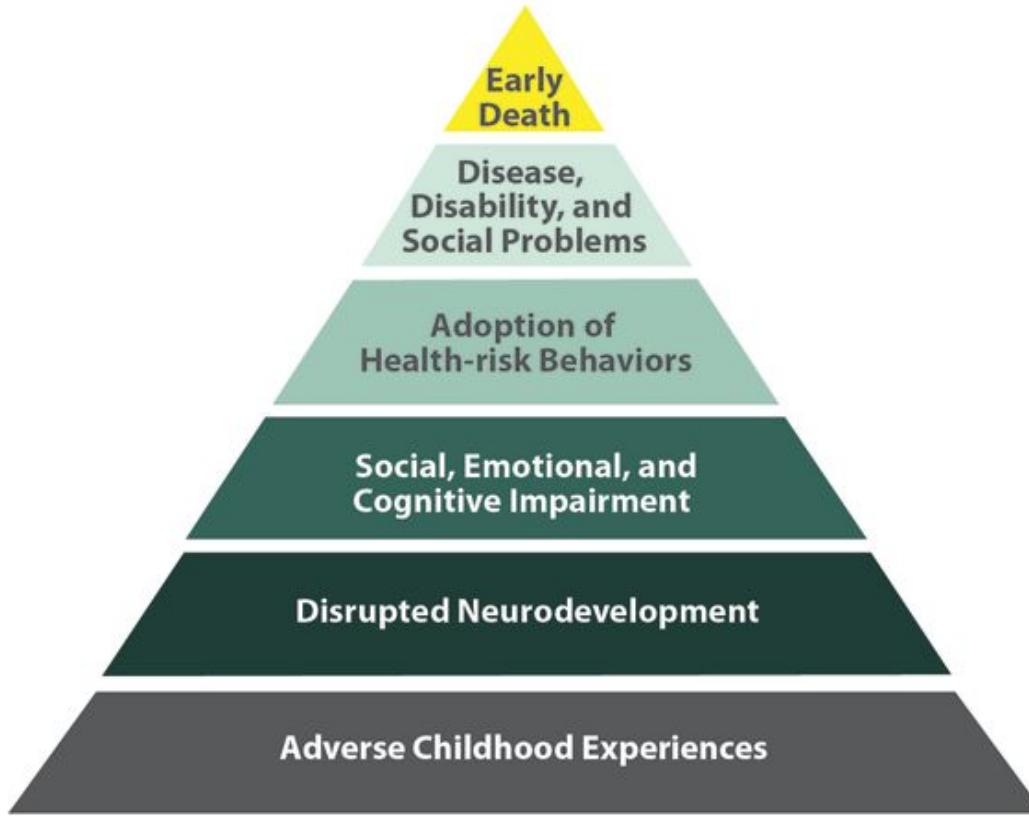
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LOCAL K SCREEN: CHILDREN WITH 2 OR MORE “ACE” *:

- 7 times more likely to have moved four or more times.
- More than twice as likely to spend less than 3 hours a week in family activity.
- 2.5 times less likely to have a set bedtime.
- 5.7 times more likely to ignore rules at home.
- 4.3 times more likely to never read with parent/adult.

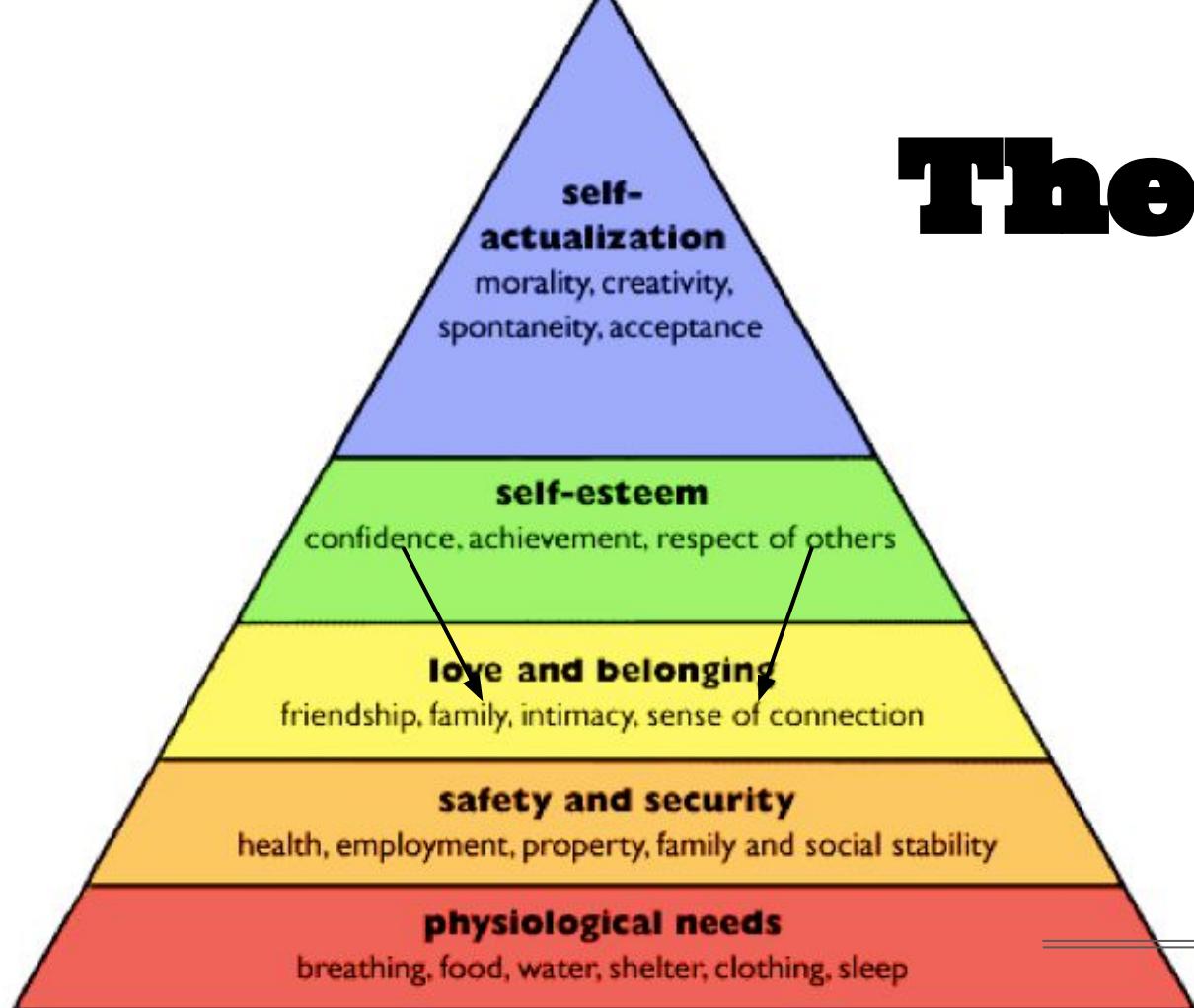
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WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?



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

The W.E.Y?



Positive
Interactions

Second Step

Mentoring, CICO, Social Groups

Expectations, structure, routines

Free Breakfast & Lunch

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 others with the same article
- Next, find someone 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

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

SUPPORTS FOR STUDENTS

A FRAMEWORK TO HELP: **ATTACHMENT**

REGULATION (SELF)

COMPETENCY



ARC is a framework for intervention with youth and families who have experienced multiple and/or prolonged traumatic stress. ARC identifies three core domains that are frequently impacted among traumatized youth, and which are relevant to future resiliency.

ATTACHMENT: We can organize our current interventions using the ARC Framework across a Multi-Tiered System of Supports.

ATTACHMENT:

TIER 1:

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

Opportunities for clubs, sports & other extracurricular activities

Involvement in learning!

TIER 2:

Check In/Check Out

Check & Connect

Small groups formed for particular students

Peer Mentoring

TIER 3:

Counseling

Individual Plans

REGULATION:
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our current
interventions
using the ARC
Framework across
a Multi-Tiered
System of
Supports.

REGULATION:

TIER 1:

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

Second Step taught universally to all students

TIER 2:

Check In/Check Out

Check & Connect

Small group re-teach (can use Second Step)

TIER 3:

Counseling

Individual Plans (FBA/BIP)

COMPETENCY:

We can organize our current interventions using the ARC Framework across a Multi-Tiered System of Supports.

COMPETENCY:

TIER 1:

Strong and engaging classroom instruction for all students

Differentiated instruction

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

Music & Art Classes!

TIER 2:

Check In/Check Out

Small group re-teach (can use Second Step)

After school programs

TIER 3:

Counseling

Individual Plans (FBA/BIP)

ADAPT, NOT ADDITIONAL



- IN SCHOOLS, MUCH OF WHAT IS ALREADY DONE CAN BE Integrated INTO A TRAUMA INFORMED APPROACH!!
- DON'T THINK "MORE"—THINK "ADAPT CURRENT PRACTICE"

THANK YOU!

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