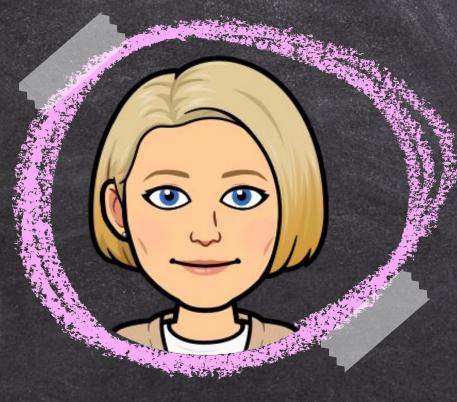
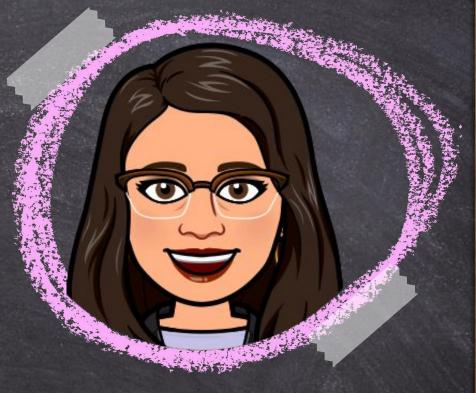
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MTSS Makes My Head Spin



Hello!



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#### Check-in

















I've come to a frightening conclusion that I am the decisive element in the classroom. It's my personal approach that creates the climate. It's my daily mood that makes the weather. As a teacher, I possess a tremendous power to make a child's life miserable or joyous. I can be a tool of torture or an instrument of inspiration. I can humiliate or heal. In all situations, it is my response that decides whether a crisis will be escalated or de-escalated and a child humanized or dehumanized.

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## Walk away from here being able to answer these questions.



Why do I matter?

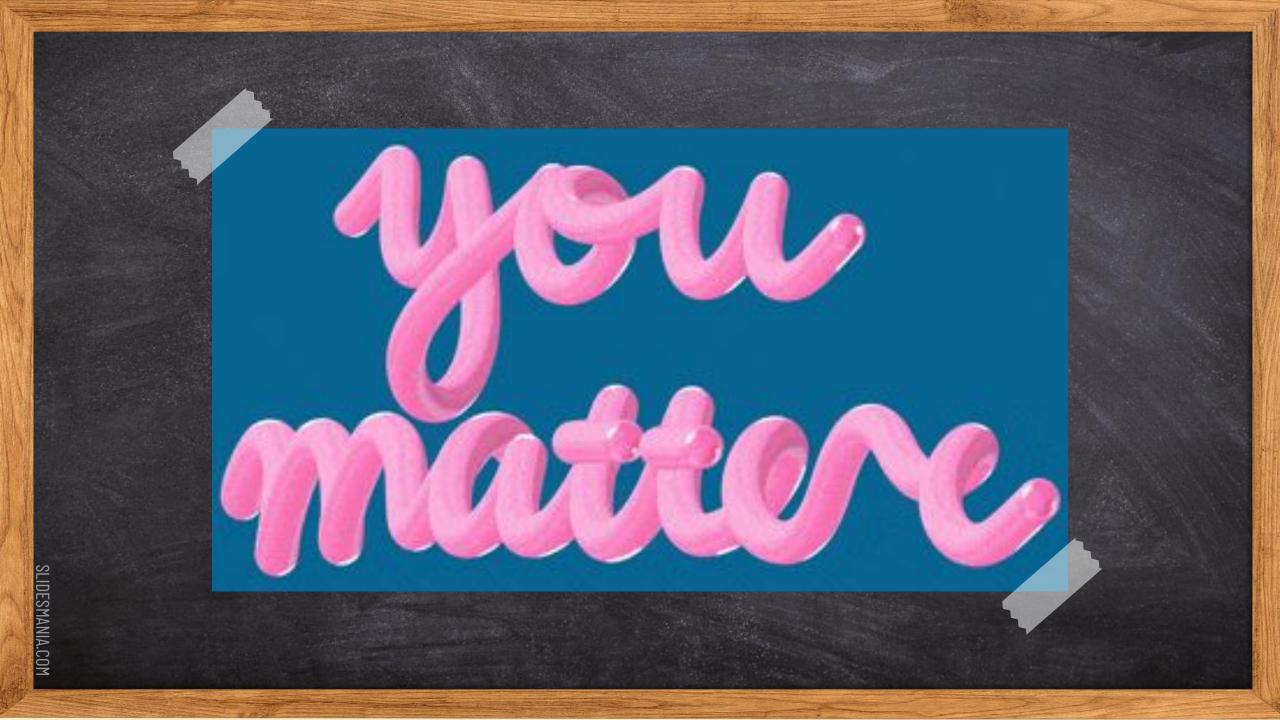


How do I support the whole child?



How do I fit into my school's MTSS?







PARAEDUCATORS WHAT WE DO MATTERS



# A day in the life of a paraeducator





Few

Some

Tier 3: Intensive Intervention: Individual students receive the most intense instruction based on individual student need in addition to core and supplemental academic and behavior, curriculum, instruction and supports.

Tier 2: Intervention: Students needing additional support receive more focused, targeted small group instruction/intervention and supports in addition to core academic and behavior curriculum and instruction.

All

<u>Tier 1:</u> Core: All students receive high-quality, core academic and behavioral instruction and supports.

A multi-tiered approach to student support

#### How do I support all students?

Is your task something you provide for ALL, SOME, or FEW students?

**ALL Students** 

**SOME Students** 

**FEW Students** 









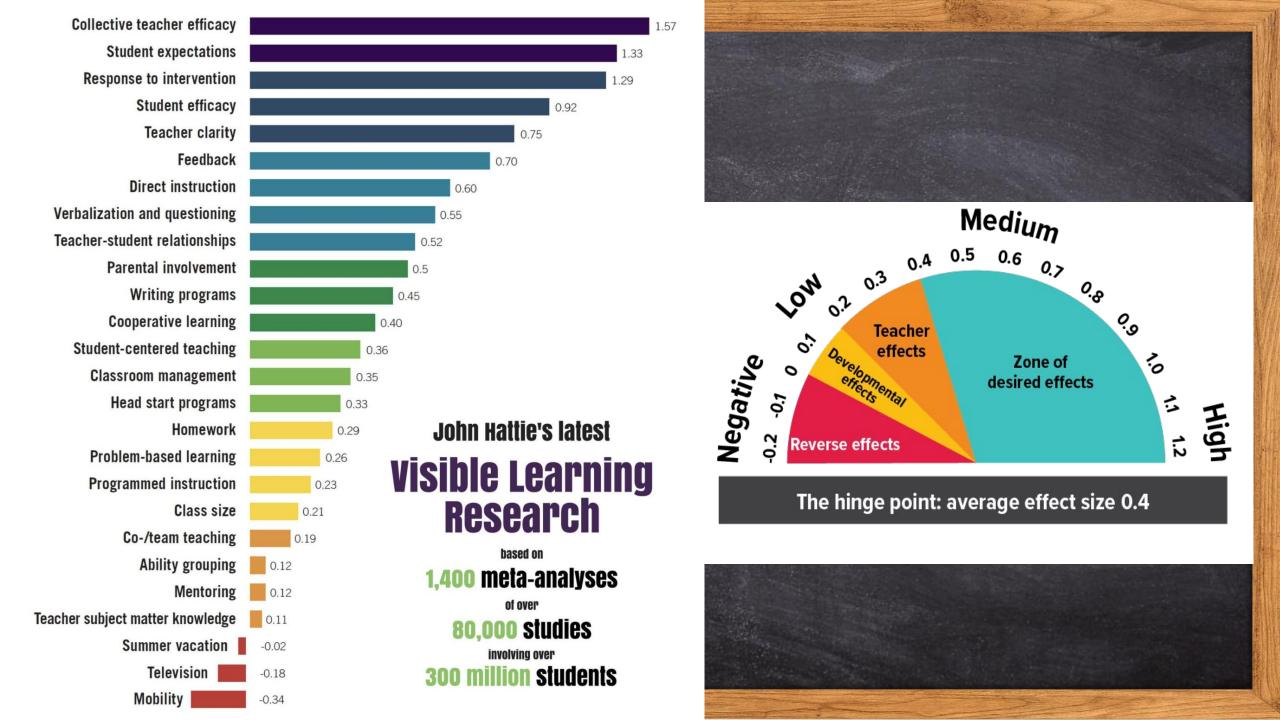
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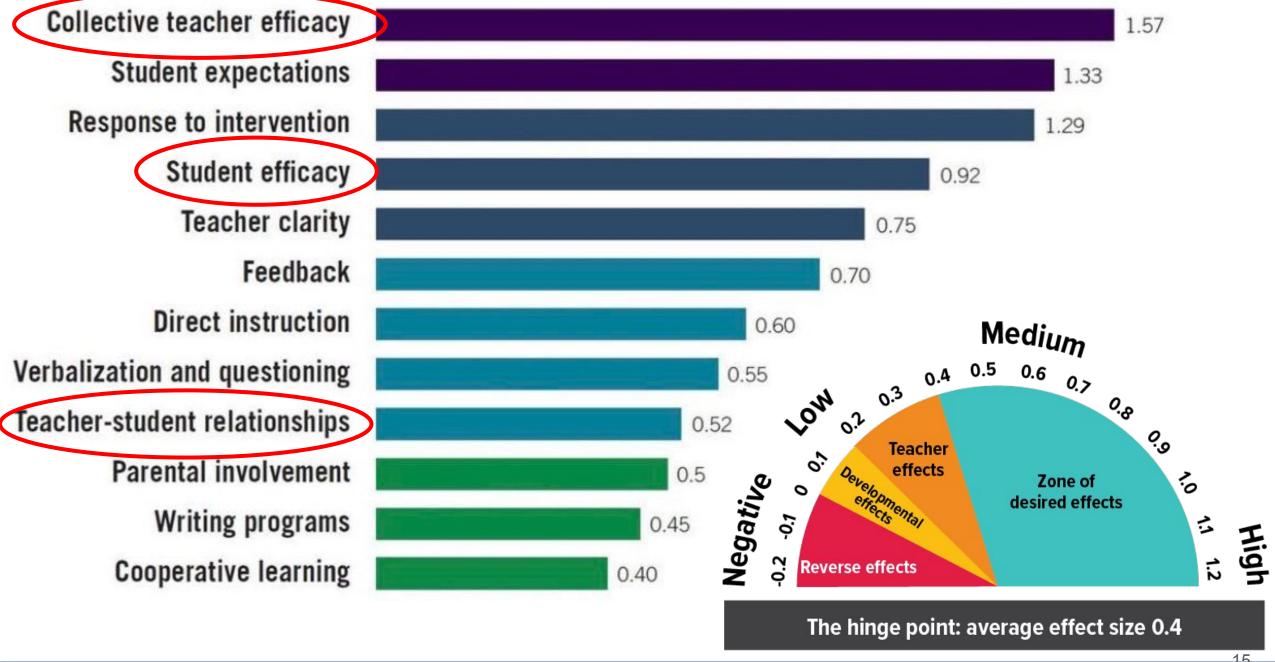


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There is no way a single person has all the time, all the knowledge, and all the skills to meet all the needs of every child in his or her class(es)







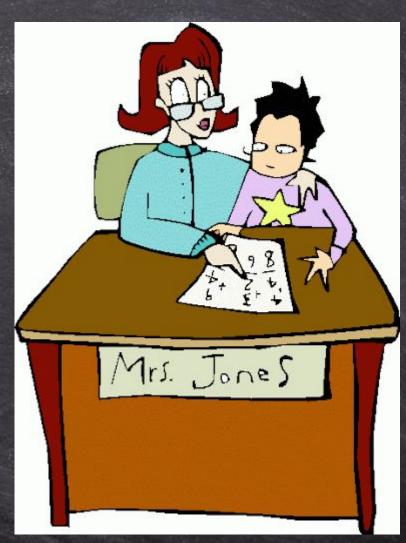


When a flower doesn't bloom you fix the environment in which it grows, not the flower.

-Alexander den Heijer-

How to best meet the needs of all students, as well as those in need of additional support.

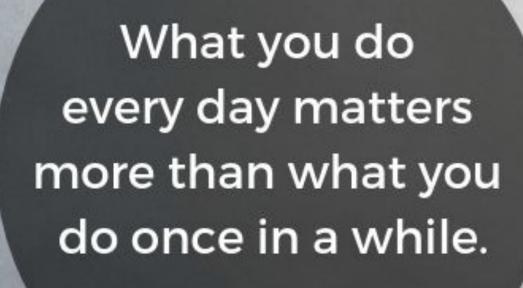
- Active Listening...
- Set clear limits...
- Sidestep power struggles...
- Meet their physical and emotional needs....
- Daily physical activity...
- Mindfulness and breathing exercises....
- Establish positive relationships...
- Model prosocial skills...
- Allow for productive struggle...



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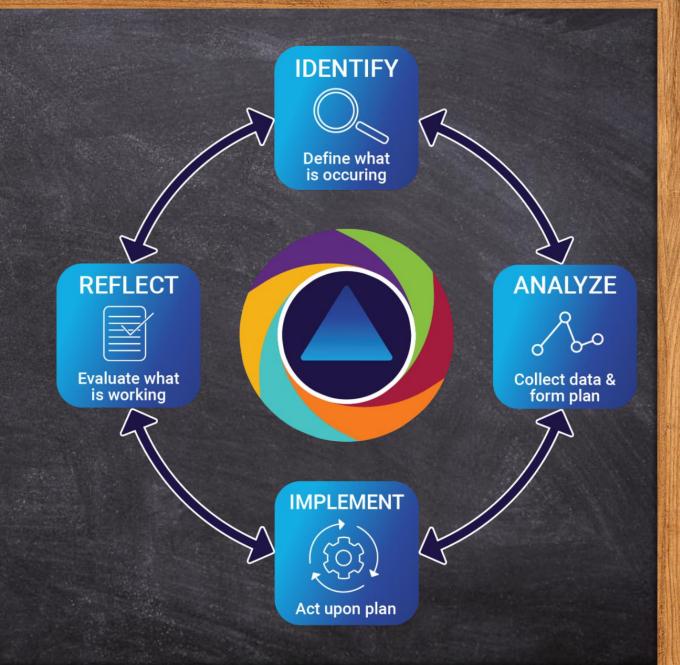


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As a paraeducator, YOU are eliminating barriers through a multi-tiered system of support so all students can receive high quality instruction with tiered support if necessary.







Password: MTSS





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