

Circles Resources for Restorative Practices in Schools

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CIRCLES BOOKS & HANDBOOKS

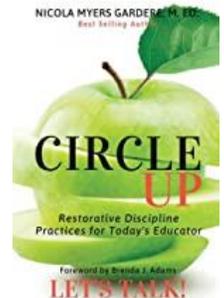


Reflections of a Circlekeeper: Restorative Circle Journal, Dr. Kathleen Carroll Bevins, independent publisher, 2021.

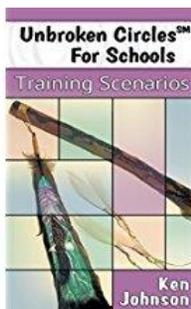
A journal for restorative practitioners to plan circles and reflect on experiences and outcomes.

Circle Up, Let's Talk!: Restorative Discipline Practices for Today's Educator, Nicola Myers Gardere, Jai Publishing House Incorporated, 2020, paperback, 108 pages & Kindle.

“*Circle Up* was written for educators and community members who are determined to change the school and community culture through purposeful, intentional conversations. More importantly, the book will provide the tools necessary to create a mindset for building transformational relationships with students and adults to repair harm done, manage conflict, and increase performance as they experience higher levels of educational/emotional success.” Amazon Books



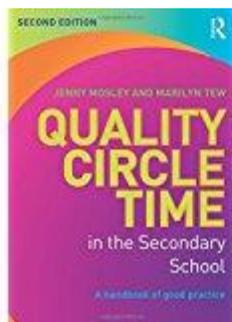
Unbroken Circles for Schools: Training Scenarios, Ken Johnson, Southern Yellow Pine (SYP) Publishing LLC, 2017, paperback, 66 pages.



“*Unbroken CirclesSM for Schools: Training Scenarios* offers practical, role-playing scenarios meant to hone your skills while simulating the feel and dynamics of real-life applications. Acting out the scenarios will help build awareness, increase confidence, and increase listening skills in those who participate. Use this as a companion text with the Award-winning *Unbroken CirclesSM for Schools*. This is more than just a training guide; it is Restorative Justice in action!”

Quality Circle Time in the Secondary School: a handbook of good practice.

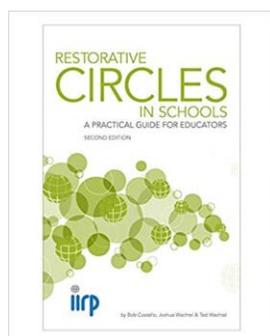
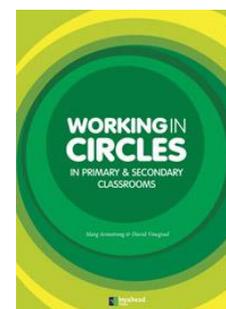
Jenny Mosley & Marilyn Tew, Routledge, 2013, 2nd edition.



This is a comprehensive book for those who want to implement circles in secondary schools. Over 100 activities and practical strategies help teachers build their skills and confidence in leading circles. This revised and updated edition provides the framework and whole school model for circles in secondary schools.

Working in Circles in Primary & Secondary Schools. Margaret Armstrong & David Vinegrad. Small World Publications, 2013, 151 pages.

“Working in Circles in Primary and Secondary Classrooms is a comprehensive manual for anyone wishing to use the circle in their classroom for community building; social skills; democratic decision making or just having fun together as a class. It is a complete guide - saving valuable time in searching for a collection of fun games or resources suit.”

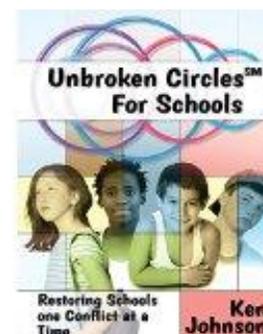


Restorative Circles in Schools: Building Community and Enhancing Learning. Bob Costello, Joshua Wachtel & Ted Wachtel, published by iirp, 2019, 2nd edition, 127 pages.

This book is a practical guide to the use of circles in schools and other settings, as well as an in-depth exploration of circle processes. The book includes numerous stories about the way circles have been used in many diverse situations, discussion on the use of proactive, responsive and staff circles, and an overview of restorative practices, with particular emphasis on its relationship to circle processes.

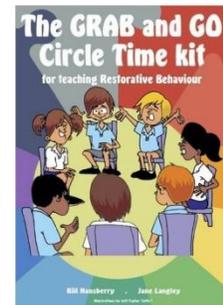
Unbroken Circles for Schools. Ken Johnson, Southern Yellow Pie (Syp) Publishing LLC, 2014, 236 pages, paperback.

Unbroken Circles for Schools is a revolutionary program designed to help schools deal with student conflict and behavior issues. It combines the best of three, Restorative Justice, Collaborative Justice, and the author's experience in mediation and negotiation. It is time for an improved and better method of managing troubled children.

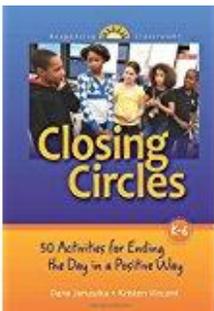


This unique program offers schools and other agencies a better modality of CONFLICT RESOLUTION. The program tenders hope in troubled individuals, builds self-esteem, improves student performance, and fosters a greater sense of community within our at-risk youth. This text defines the concepts, describes the methods to use and offers user friendly examples.

The GRAB and GO Circle Time Kit teaching Restorative Behaviour: 13 Sessions for Junior Primary. Jane Langley & Bill Hansberry. Small World, Big Imaginations, paperback, 2015, 147 pages .



This “kit” includes 13 lessons for using circles to teach basic restorative practices principles to elementary students. The results are a calmer and more peaceful environment, more productive classrooms, and less anxious kids. Note: Can be ordered through Amazon. Non-Amazon orders are through Australia.

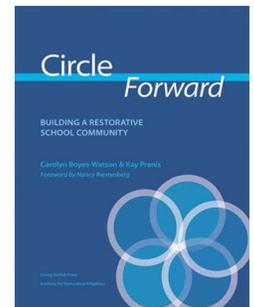


Closing Circles: 50 Activities for Ending the Day in a Positive Way. Dana Januszka & Kristen Vincent. Center for Responsive Schools, Inc., 2012, 144 pages. Spiral bound.

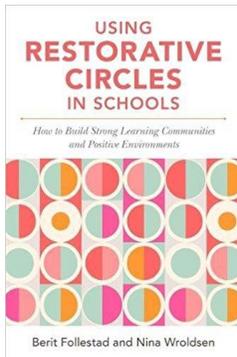
“Bring the school day to a peaceful closing and reaffirm classroom community. Gather with your class for a 5- or 10-minute activity before dismissal and you'll all leave school feeling encouraged and competent. This book contains 50 easy-to-do activities for the end of the day: Songs and chants; Individual reflection questions;

Energetic cheers; Silent cheers; Quick partner and group chats; Team or class challenges; Quiet thinking time, and more.” (Amazon.com)

Circle Forward: Building a Restorative School Community. Carolyn Boyes-Watson and Kay Pranis. Foreword by Nancy Riestenberg, Softcover & e-book, Living Justice Press, 2014, 456 pages.



This book *is* a resource guide designed to help teachers, administrators, students and parents incorporate the practice of Circles into the everyday life of the school community. This resource guide offers comprehensive step-by-step instructions for how to plan, facilitate and implement the Circle for a variety of purposes within the school environment. It describes the basic process, essential elements and a step-by-step guide for how to organize, plan, and lead Circles. It also provides over one hundred specific lesson plans and ideas for the application of Circles in a number of school life areas.



Using Restorative Circles in Schools. By Nina Wroldsen, Jessica Kingsley Publishers, 2018.

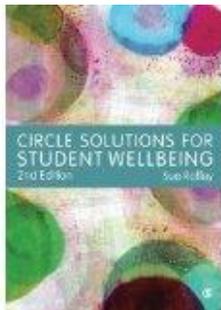
“Restorative circles are an effective way of implementing restorative justice, through starting a conversation wider than just the victim and the offender.

Proven to be an effective way of healing and building relationships, tackling bullying within schools and providing a sense of community, this book gives everything needed for a school to start implementing restorative circles.

Accompanied by illustrations, interviews and case studies to show how to start using restorative circles, this practical guide is the perfect introduction for schools looking to improve their methods of conflict resolution.” Amazon

Circle Keepers Handbook. By Kay Pranis [no date]. Edutopia, [no date]. www.edutopia.org/sites/default/files/stw-glenview-circles-keeper-handbook.pdf September 27, 2016.

Circle Solutions for Student Wellbeing. Sue Roffey, Sage Publications, 2nd edition, 2014, 144 pages. Kindle & Paperback.



First published as **Circle Time for Emotional Literacy**, this new edition has been updated to reflect how the Circle Solutions philosophy and pedagogy can be used to build relationships and resilience for children and young people. Putting current research on wellbeing into practice, *Circle Solutions* addresses issues not incidents, solutions rather than problems, and strengths rather than deficits, providing a framework for student engagement and learning.

New to this edition: a chapter on promoting the positive: thoughts, feelings and approaches; more anti-bullying strategies, with cyber-bullying covered explicitly; a quick reference appendix of games; ways of embedding *Circle Solutions* as a tool for wellbeing; and updated and expanded resources. Activities and games included in the book promote positive communication skills, empathy and connectedness, class cohesion and co-operation, friendship skills and ethical behavior.

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT CIRCLES

Restorative Practice Kete Book 3: Restorative Circles [PDF]

<https://pb4l.tki.org.nz/PB4L-Restorative-Practice/Restorative-Practice-Kete-Book-Three>

PEACE POWER TOOLS Peacemaking/Restorative Circles [PDF] 3-page summary.

www.peacepower.info/modules/PeaceCircles.pdf

Restorative Circles' Closing Suggestions [PDF].

www.healthiersf.org/.../RPClosingcircles. www.healthiersf.org/RestorativePractices is the link for San Francisco Unified School District's Restorative Practices page.

BLOG

Kris Miner's Blog about Restorative Practice in the Classroom. This is a gold mine of resources. Sign up for her newsletter. <https://circle-space.org/author/krism/>

Some blog topics:

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- Circle Process (310)
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