

Character Education Matching Grant
Pre-Approved Program Providers
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Creative Spirit

Provider: Healthy Play Is a Solution / Joy in Learning Training and Consults
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Target Audience:

Teachers, youth service professionals and paraprofessionals, school support staff and administrators, students, community providers of youth services, parents.

Description of Services:

Build Character, Make School Playgrounds Safe, and Unite Your Staff in integrating the values of caring, compassion, initiative, respect, personal responsibility, and trust as an important part of daily instruction. These are the positive outcomes principals and teachers report seeing in their students after their Creative Spirit training program was implemented. Creative Spirit's Joy in Learning / Healthy Play Is a Solution is a program that works! Creative Spirit's character education, classroom and playground management and anti-bullying program offers educators and students simple, effective and even fun techniques to practice qualities of good character, support academic standards, and promote emotional and physical health. The same program also increases a school community's ability to readdress academics in a playful and nurturing manner without adding additional burdens for hard working teachers. Based on concepts from our book, *Learning to Play, Playing to Learn*, our trainings and materials can provide professional staff and school community members with strategies and practical "hands-on" game activities to recognize, reinforce, and practice character values and skills through mindful classroom and playground management. You can train your entire staff in the complete training through our six-hour training with individualized in-classroom consultations or select a few teachers for our Two-day Train the Trainer format. Unique to the Healthy play program, our staff can work

directly with students and teachers in their classrooms. As an added benefit, your staff will experience a team-building approach, which will reduce stress, build morale, and inspire creativity through informative play and discussion.