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# Major Parts of the Book:

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- Preparation
- Procedures (Lots of them!)
- Plans

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"Classroom procedures saved my life." ~Heather Chambers Samson

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# Definition of Classroom Management

Classroom management consists of he practices and procedures a teacher uses to maintain an environment which instruction and learning can take place.

What Is Classroom Management he research definition of classroom management goes back more than 30 years. In the 1978 series of yearbooks produced by the National Society for the Study of Education, Daniel L. Duke, editor of "Classroom Management," defined classroom management

"Classroom management constitutes the provisions and procedures necessary to as such: establish and maintain an environment in which instruction and learning can occur." Effective teachers have long known how to manage classrooms. Good classroom management does not just happen; effective teachers plan good classroom

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management.

students are managing it for you. The effective teacher knows that stu will only occur when the students' w is organized and structured so their upline instilled. Under the nurtured. Their ffective teacher, learning takes pl self

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In a well-managed classroom, a can occur simultaneously. The

**Stories of how practicing** classroom teachers put into practice the information in the book





### School Began Eight Hours Later

Two weeks after school began we received an email from Amanda Brooks of Dyersburg, Tennessee. She wrote again at the end of her first year of teaching and at the end of her second year of teaching.

I was about to start as a brand new teacher and had no idea how to start school, when the Wongs came to my school district to present at a pre-school in-service.

When they showed a PowerPoint presentation used by a teacher to explain his classroom management plan (page 000), I was so enthralled that I immediately began to write mine in my head. I went home to work on my plan and finished it at midnight.

The next day-eight hours later-my first day of school went like clockwork. The day went absolutely flawlessly. It was an awesome day.

My first year ended, and I am so thankful for that first day when I had my students practice our classroom procedures. (pages 00-00)

I never had to waste time repeating what they should be doing or reprimanding them for bad behavior.

It allowed me to be everything I wanted to be as a teacher and create an environment where students could just learn. I simply taught and enjoyed my students.

I just completed my second year of teaching, and what a fantastic year I had.

For the second year in a row, I had students leaving my classroom in joyful tears-and these are fifth graders.

My state test scores came back and my class had the highest test scores in the school.

I am only saying this to encourage teachers to get it right the first day, and then enjoy the rest of the school year.



How to get it right on the first and every day of the school year is the entire purpose of THE Classroom Management Book.

# **Background** information so you know why you're doing what you are doing

## Validations that it WORKS!

PREPARATION WHAT IS CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT?

students' task of succeeding in school and create a positive learning environment.

Procedures that are done over and over again become routines for students. A routine is a procedure that students do repeatedly without any prompting or supervision.

Watch the students in a we They are responsible becomes they know the Procedures and routines that structure the class -managed classroom. and keep it organized, they are working; they are producing; they are arning and achieving. And you can go b me each day with a smile on your face!

People expect procedures for everything they do in life: going to the movies, waiting in line to be served at a restaurant using guidelines in the workplace, etc. Teaching children the procedures they need to follow in class gives them life skills and makes teaching less stressful. When procedures are in place, the teacher can focus on teaching. Students know automatically what needs to be done. They know when and how to do it because you have taught them until

# **Difference Between Classroom Management and Discipline**

Classroom management is NOT discipline; they are not synonymous terms.

Classroom Management ≠ Discipline he most misused word in education is

"classroom management." Many educators incorrectly associate classroom management with discipline. Certainly, behavioral events frequently occur in class, particularly in classrooms where there is no m place.

instruction (what the teacher does) and effective

student learning (what the students do). There is a vast difference between classroom

management and classroom discipline.

about how students behave. , control how students behave. have rules.

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### Pottery Procedures Create a Successful Piece

Lucy Quezada teaches in San Marcos, Texas. She likens managing a classroom to the procedures needed to create a piece of pottery.

Procedures are such an important part of classroom management. They work at all levels. In my high school classroom, if I don't reinforce a procedure throughout the year (for example, being seated for dismissal) it becomes a management problem. I then have to spend time at the end of class repeatedly saying, 'Be seated.'

With procedures, I take time to remind students about the dismissal process, I practice it that day and I thank students for doing it right. Students get used to the procedure and learn to expect it.

I strongly believe in the power of procedures. I used to lack confidence, thinking teaching procedures seemed like I was talking down to high school students. However, if I didn't rehearse and reinforce the procedure, I regretted it later.

Now, I embrace the fact that I teach procedures in the classroom and I make a big deal over them. Procedures result in student engagement.

My high school classroom flows much more smoothly with procedures than without them!



# This book was written to help you **PREVENT PROBLEMS**

THE **PROCEDURE** 

# **Taking Attendance and Lunch Count**



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- 2. Allows the teacher to greet stu
- 3. Cultivates responsibility in st

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# grade levels and types of school environments:

- Pre-K to High School
- Self-Contained to Special Needs

# THE **BACKGROUND**

he typical scenario of a classroom, where the teacher calls out each student's name and waits for a response, is a familiar one—and a misuse of instructional time. The school day is a busy one, with a myriad of routine administrative tasks. When teachers streamline the administrative process, they can focus on the most important goalteaching. Reach that goal by establishing a procedure to give students the responsibility of taking their own attendance and lunch count each day.

# THE **Procedure Steps**

o help students learn to take their own attendance and lunch count, make a name card for each student. Write the child's name on a card with Velcro attached to the back. Mount the

Velcro-backed name cards on a fabric-covered bulletin board or on the students' cubbies.

Prepare two baskets, one labeled Home Lunch, and the second labeled School Lunch—or any variation that fits

Place the baskets on a counter, desk, or bookshelf. These baskets will stay in this location each day of the

On the first day of school, take roll and lunch count in the traditional way and teach the new procedure so students can assume this responsibility the next time

Include in the classroom job roster the task of Includes procedures for all reposting the Velcro name cards to the board at the end of the day.

### Once students learn this procedure, the teacher's time is clear to greet the children in the morning, answer questions about bellwork, and so on.

# TAKING ATTENDANCE AND LUNCH COUNT

# TEACH

1. After taking attendance and lunch counts in the traditional way, tell the class this is the last time you will be doing that job. From now on it will be their responsibility. Explain the importance of accurate daily attendance and lunch counts.

2. Point out the location where all the students' name cards are posted. Show that the name cards can easily be removed by pulling on the Velcro backs. Also, show where the two lunch baskets are kept in

- 3. Tell the class that this procedure is their first responsibility when they enter the classroom in the morning. Upon entering the classroom, they must
  - remove their name card;

  - place their name card in the correct
- go to their desks; and
- start the bellwork assignment.

4. Explain that once everyone is seated, the students whose name cards are left on the Velcro board will be marked absent for the day. Then show how the lunch count will be taken by counting the number of cards in the School Lunch basket.

5. Tell students they are to handle only their own cards and not their friend's cards. Explain that it is OK to remind friends if they forget to check in when entering the classroom. But each friend must be responsible for moving their own name card to the

6. Assign a student the task of reposting the Velcro name cards to the board at the end of the day.

# We teach you **HOW** to implement procedures with three steps:

- Teach
- Rehearse
- Reinforce

# THE SUMMARY

tudents of any age can be responsible for completing a task, provided the task is taught to them. Teaching students the task of counting themselves present f you time to greet stud reducing instruction

# PROCEDURES

# REHEARSE

Select a few students to demonstrate this procedure. Line them up outside the classroom door and have them walk in as if they are just arriving to class. Ask them to find their appropriate name cards, remove them, and place them in the correct lunch basket. Remind them, as they continue on to their seats, that

they are to begin their bellwork assignment. Once they are seated, demonstrate how you will take

roll and lunch counts for the day. Thank students who do this procedure correctly.

Rotate the practice group of students until everyone

has had a chance to remove their name card from the board and place it in the appropriate basket.

# REINFORCE

Remind students at the end of the school day what the procedure is for entering the classroom each morning. The next morning, as you greet students entering the classroom, remind groups of students about their

name cards.

Do not threaten punishment or give a consequence for forgetting this procedure. If you see a name card still posted and see the student is in class, quietly walk up to the student and say, "What's the procedure for taking attendance and lunch count?" Watch as the student goes up and moves the name card to the udent goes up and moves the name card to the priate basket. As the rest of the class works on completing



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See Nile Wilson's handbook filled wit procedures for her orchestra classes 33 THE Classroom Management Book



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## The Teacher as Model

Students observe the teacher listening and participating in classroom conversations on a daily basis. The effective teacher models

- proper eye contact;
- upright sitting posture;
- how to paraphrase an idea that someone has shared: and
- how to use a classmates' contributions as a springboard to their own.

These are valuable communication skills that students learn quickly, demonstrate in school, and use throughout life.

- Additional stories to supplement the information
- QR Codes that take the learning beyond the printed page

TAKING ATTENDANCE AND LUNCH COUNT

HE Classroom Management Book is a companion book to our best-selling book, The First Days of School. It takes one of the three characteristics of an effective teacher, being an extremely good classroom manager, and shows how to put it into practice in the classroom. This book has been written to help you prevent problems. It is not a "quick fix" for discipline problems in the classroom.

• The purpose of *THE Classroom Management Book* is to provide you with the skill to effectively manage a classroom that produces student learning and achievement.

### There are four parts to THE Classroom Management Book:

- PROLOGUE: provides the underlying research behind classroom management
- **PREPARATION:** tells how to prepare for the first day or any day of school
- **PROCEDURES:** teaches in-depth, a multitude of procedures and practices to use to create your own classroom management plan
- **PLANS:** shows actual plans from practicing teachers for their first days of school

"At home, many students don't know what problem or struggle is going to hit their family next. When at-risk students walk into my classroom and discover that there is a procedure, a "how to" handbook of sorts, for nearly any issue that could arise, they are at ease. For some of these students, this type of orderly and smoothly running classroom is the first experience at a life without chaos."

> ~Stephanie Stoebe 2012 Texas Teacher of the Year Round Rock, Texas

Turn your classroom chaos into student achievement. We will show you how.

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