

Nelson Place Elementary
School Counseling Program

Students With Voices

My Voice Matters!



November 7, 2017

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

The Nelson Place School Counseling Office is happy offering the "Students With Voices" Program for a 3rd term this academic year. Students With Voices is a Pilot Program School Based Initiative available to ALL students to help turn conflicts into partnerships. The purpose of Students with Voices is to provide a forum for students to discuss and resolve differences in a peaceful and amicable manner.

Students With Voices incorporates a set of problem solving principles, a structured process of problem solving strategies, and a set of foundational abilities that children need to resolve conflicts effectively. The foundation for SWV is to promote healthy and effective communication by 1) focusing on the problem, 2) listening with an open mind, 2) treating each other with respect, and 3) Negotiating an agreement that is satisfactory to both parties.

Nelson Place students are welcomed to benefit from the problem-solving principles offered through the program. The program is open to students during the three lunch waves of the school day. Students who would like to take advantage of this opportunity can do so by making a request to the teacher, teacher referral, or leaving a note with Ms. Traci in the front office.

"I believe that in every child is a voice ready to be heard" Mrs. Alston

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at 774-364-2942
or 508-799-3506.

Sincerely,

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