GENERATING JOY THROUGH FUN AND CONNECTION

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Warming Up to Joy

The Importance of Meaningful Moments: You can take control of your joy! Take a personal journey through positive memories.

- One way you can connect with joy is to recall meaningful moments
- Using this technique during stressful times can bring more joy and peace into your life.

Power of FUN

- It's Not an Activity
- Fun is Energizing
- Makes Us Healthier
- Increases Connection by Interacting More w/Other Human Beings in Real Life
- Fun is Sunshine
- Playfulness + Connection + Flow = TRUE FUN



Attachment and Attunement

The Sheet Game:

- Create a sense of safety by paying attention to others. Create attunement by working together.
- Activates the parasympathetic (slow) and sympathetic (fast) nervous system.
- Form a sense of attachment to others in the group through eyecontact and playfulness.

Importance of Relationships within Classroom Settings

Using the elements of connection in your classroom will increase cooperation, academics, and mental health!

- Treat fun as if it is important.
- It is ok to change lesson plans based on student's needs.
- Watch your students. Find the amazement in their words and actions.
- Notice your students by commenting on their actions: "You're (verb)!"
- Disconnect to Connect: UnPlug and Play.