

# Healing Informed Practices: Creating a Welcoming Space

## Positive Greetings at the Door

This evidence based practice serves to do more than just build healthy relationships - this practice has been shown to increase academic engagement by 20%. [Procedure Brief](#)

## My Name My Identity

Check out the [Educator Toolkit](#) for activities, videos and resources that support the creation of an Inclusive and Respectful School Community & is aligned to Casel's SEL Core competencies.

## Community Circles

Structured circle meetings can support creating community and help students and educators work on relationships and improve their practice as well. Check out [this video from Edutopia](#)

## Explicit Instruction

Dedicating time in the first few weeks (and whenever a new student is enrolled) to defining, practicing and modeling routines and expectations reduces student anxiety & increases the sense of safety and belonging in the instructional setting. [Snapshot Example Template](#)

