Sure I Will

Behavior Interventions in the Classroom

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Teaching Strategy: Sure I Will

Prevent	Teach	Respond
What can we do to prevent problem behaviors from occurring in the first place?	How can we use effective teaching techniques to teach new and replacement behaviors?	How can we respond to behaviors in ways to reinforce school appropriate behaviors? How do we respond in ways that do not reinforce the problem behavior and prevent further escalation of behavior?

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- Teach and reinforce a behavior that interferes with the misbehavior and the misbehavior will be reduced naturally

  - Example: If the new, replacement behavior interferes with arguing, the arguing will naturally decrease

- Provides an appropriate replacement behavior for behaviors such as arguing, not following directions, and negotiating

(Rhode, Jenson, & Williams, 2020)

How Does It Work?

- Ask student to do something ("Please return to your seat and work on your math")

- Teach student to respond with, "Sure I Will" and begin the requested behavior

- Once student begins the requested behavior, she is likely to finish it, so in this way, arguing and negotiating decrease and compliance with your direction increases

- Intermittently reinforce student for saying "Sure I Will" and beginning the requested behavior before you make a second request

Mrs. Hunter's Third Grade

- Class-wide issues of noncompliance with inappropriate language
- Students were divided into 6 teams and each team came up with their own phrase, such as Sure I Will, You Bet, and Yes, Ma'am (interdependent group contingency)
- Tally marks on board per team for each use of phrase and beginning the requested behavior
- End of the day, the team that met or exceeded the teacher's previously determined secret number received the Mystery Motivator
- Resulted in rapid improvement in both behavior and classroom climate

Activity

- In your breakout room, discuss with your group:
    - One thing that you like about the Sure I Will strategy
    - One question that you may have about it
    - One idea for using this strategy

- Be ready to report out in chat box when prompted once we return to main room