

# Social Emotional Support Program: Toolbox



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# **What is a gold ribbon school?**

The California Department of Education created the Gold Ribbon Schools Award to recognize outstanding programs and practices in elementary and secondary schools in California. In 2016, thirteen elementary schools in our district were recognized by the CDE for exemplary programs. Each school had to identify a model program or practice being implemented at their school.

# **Social Emotional Support Program: TOOLBOX**

At Coronado Elementary, we meet the needs of each student socially and emotionally by implementing a school wide program called TOOLBOX.

# TOOLBOX

TOOLBOX is a Kindergarten through 6th grade program that supports children in understanding and managing their own emotional, social, and academic success. The foundation of TOOLBOX is 12 human capacities that reside within all of us.



## The 12 Tools

*Tools for Learning • Tools for Life*

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|    | <b>Breathing Tool</b><br><i>I calm myself and check-in.</i>                                    |   |
|   |  |    |
|   | <b>Quiet/Safe Place Tool</b><br><i>I remember my quiet/safe place.</i>                         |   |
|    | <b>Listening Tool</b><br><i>I listen with my ears, eyes, and heart.</i>                        |   |
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|   | <b>Empathy Tool</b><br><i>I care for others. I care for myself.</i>                            |   |
|    | <b>Personal Space Tool</b><br><i>I have a right to my space and so do you.</i>                 |   |
|   |  |    |
|   | <b>Using Our Words Tool</b><br><i>I use the "right" words in the "right" way.</i>              |   |
|    | <b>Garbage Can Tool</b><br><i>I let the little things go.</i>                                  |   |
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|   | <b>Taking Time Tool</b><br><i>I take time-in and time-away.</i>                                |   |
|    | <b>Please &amp; Thank You Tool</b><br><i>I treat others with kindness and appreciation.</i>    |   |
|   |  |    |
|   | <b>Apology &amp; Forgiveness Tool</b><br><i>I admit my mistakes and work to forgive yours.</i> |   |
|  | <b>Patience Tool</b><br><i>I am strong enough to wait.</i>                                     |   |
|   |  |  |
|   | <b>Courage Tool</b><br><i>I have the courage to do the "right" thing.</i>                      |   |

# Who is part our TOOLBOX community?

- Students
- Classroom Teachers
- Administrator
- Parents
- School Psychologist
- Counselors
- Other Staff
- Afterschool Program Personnel

# What data is reviewed by TOOLBOX team?

- School suspension rates were analyzed.

| School Year | Number of Suspensions |
|-------------|-----------------------|
| 2012-2013   | 88 Suspensions        |
| 2013-2014   | 40 Suspensions        |
| 2014-2015   | 40 Suspensions        |

- Toolbox has had a positive impact on discipline. The number of suspensions has decreased by 45%.

# What does TOOLBOX look like at Coronado?

- The Coronado community stakeholders are engaged in social-emotional learning practices.
- Teachers and Students are engaged through interactive classroom lessons.
- Weekly writing activities.
- Classrooms have bulletin board boards and posters.
- All staff wear the Toolbox's lanyard.
- Parent presentations during parent nights and parent meetings.

# How it looks in the classroom



Caring Circle

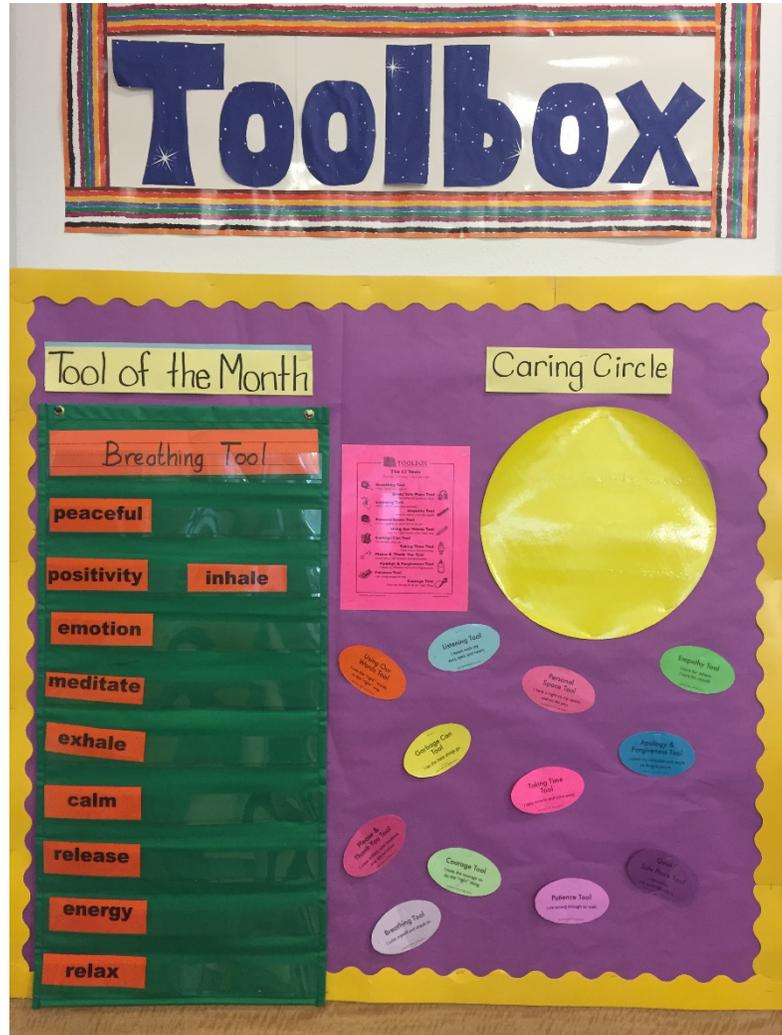
Students in the first grade learning about the empathy tool



Student coloring empathy tool that will go into their journal.



# How we use it during our morning assembly



A board is displayed in the assembly room and each month we review a different tool along with the vocabulary.

**Our Social Emotional Support Program (Toolbox) helps make Coronado a great place for all students.**

