Reducing Anxiety and Defiant Behavior in the Classroom

Who: Teachers, coaches, school-based, and district-based administrators

What: One-day training with Jessica Minahan

Where: Professional Development Center Monroe 2-Orleans BOCES 3599 Big Ridge Road Spencerport, NY 14559

Date: November 12, 2019

Time: 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

How: \$175/person Register online (by November 5, 2019)



The National Institutes of Health (NIH) reports that **one in four thirteen to eighteen-year-olds has had an anxiety disorder in their lifetime**. Without intervention, these children are at risk for poor performance, diminished learning, and social/behavior problems in school. With up to one in four children struggling with anxiety in this country, overwhelmed adults are in need of a new approach as well as an effective and easy-to-implement toolkit of strategies that work.

Through the use of case studies, humorous stories, and examples of common challenging situations, participants will learn easy to implement preventive tools, strategies, and interventions for reducing anxiety, increasing self-regulation, accurate thinking, and self-monitoring in students.

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