PERMISSION

TO FEEL

Unlocking the Power of Emotions to Achieve Optimum Well-being and Success

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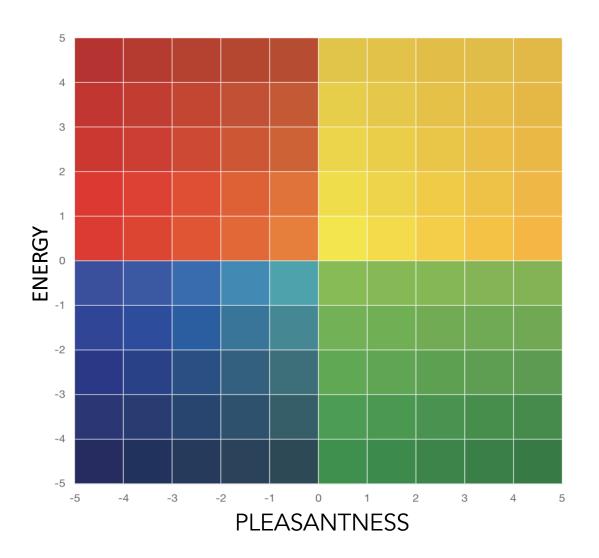
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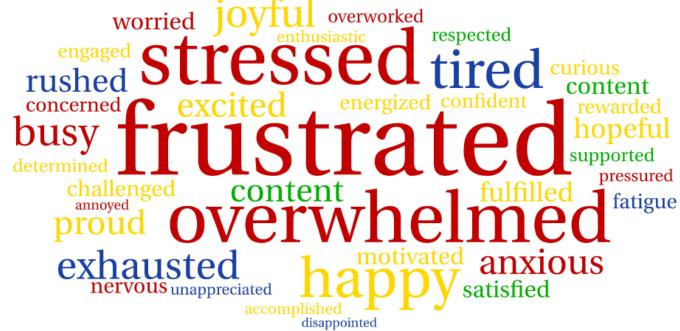
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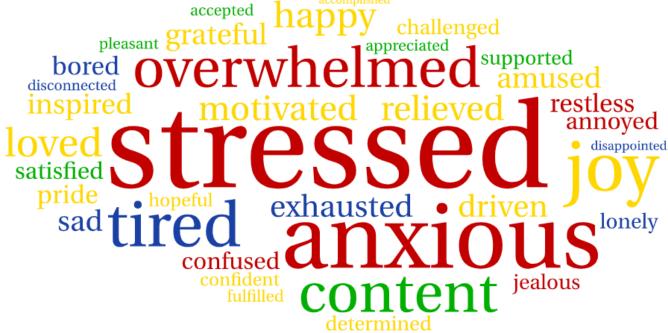






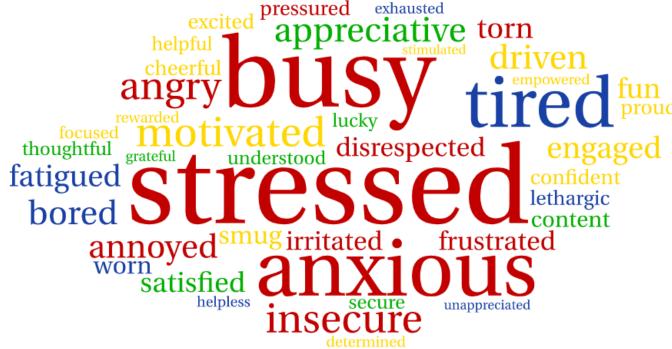




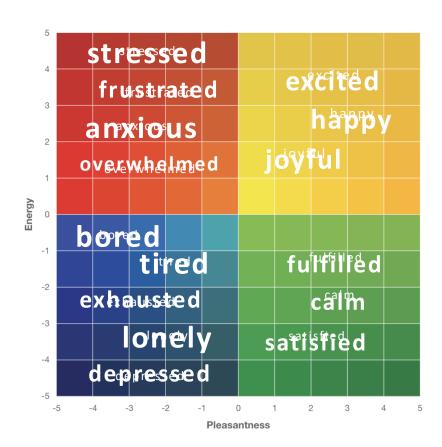












HOW WE FEEL IS

Out of Balance

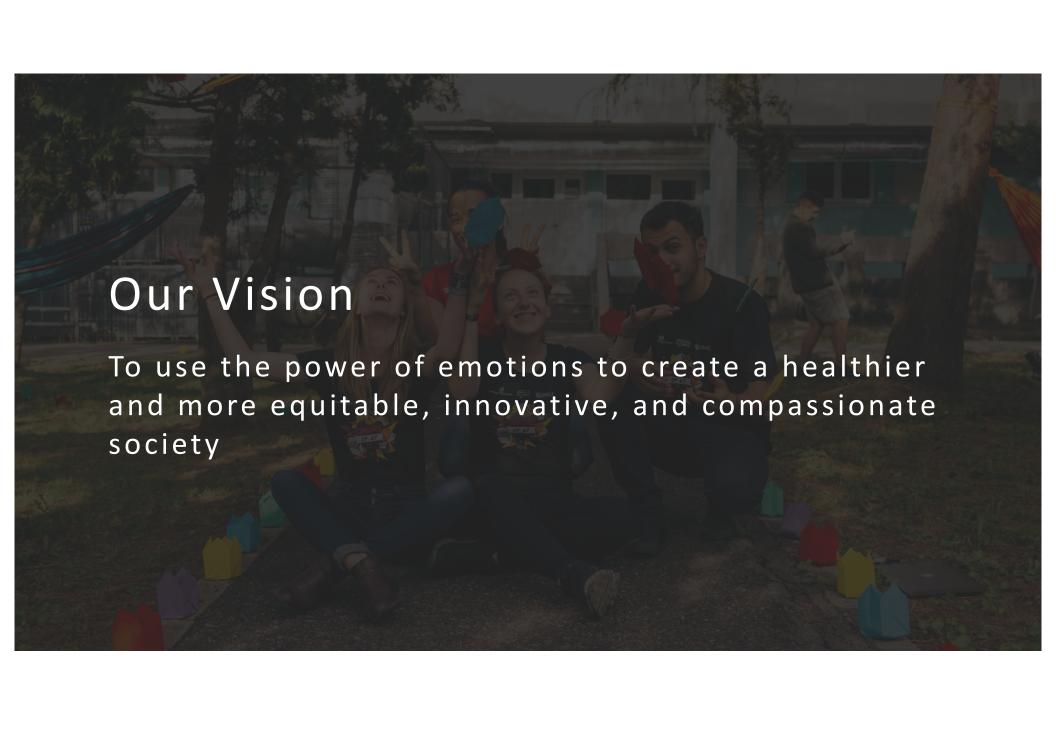
Our students, educators, and workforce are spending 70-80% of their days in the RED and BLUE.

While the goal is NOT to be in the YELLOW and GREEN all of the time, we need greater balance!









Emotions Matter



- Attention, memory, and learning
- Decision making
- Relationship quality
- Physical and mental health
- Performance and creativity





The RULER Skills

R ecognizing emotions in self and others

U nderstanding causes and consequences of emotions

L abeling emotions accurately

E xpressing emotions

R egulating emotions effectively



The Big 7

- Mindful breathing
- Sleep
- Nutrition
- Exercise
- Positive self-talk, reappraisal, and problem-solving
- Building and maintaining positive relationships
- Doing things that are meaningful to you (hobbies/entertainment)



Healthy Emotion Regulation

Characteristics

- Effortful
- Developmental (for kids!)
- Specific to the emotion and situation
- Personalized (e.g., family, culture)
- Permitted and encouraged
- Practiced, evaluated, & refined
- · No criterion of correctness!

Impact

- Less stress
- · Better health and wellbeing
- More healthy life habits
- More positive relationships
- More solutions



El Among Youth

Lower in EI:

- Conduct problems
- Aggressive behavior
- Hyperactivity/attention problems
- Risky sexual behavior
- Substance abuse
- Social deviance
- Anxiety/depression

Higher in EI:

- Empathy
- Well-being
- Quality relationships
- Prosocial behavior
- Satisfaction with school
- Leadership skills
- Academic achievement



El Outcomes

- Have greater sensitivity and empathy
- Are rated as more effective
- Receive higher performance ratings
- Are less stressed and burnt out
- Have greater job satisfaction
- Build more positive workplace climates





Leader El Matters!

Low EI



High El





El is not so soft!

Results from the study The Class of 2030 and Life-Ready Learning — conducted in collaboration with Microsoft and McKinsey & Company's Education Practice

30 - 40%

of jobs require soft skills

42%

of employers believe new graduates are adequately prepared for the workforce, especially with social and emotional skills



Social and Emotional Learning



Moving from a piecemeal approach...

- Rules
- Assemblies
- Classroom kits
- · Simple lessons
- Flavor of the month

...to a systemic approach



The RULER Approach

STRATEGY

STAKEHOLDERS

AIMS

IMPACT

- Adult personal and professional learning
- Schoolwide tools, Pre-K to 12 classroom resources, and OST resources
- Online platform and coaching support
- Monitoring and evaluation tools

- Administration and school board
- Educators and staff
- Families
- Students

Individual-level

- Enhanced mindset ("emotions matter")
- Deepened social and emotional skills

Setting-level

- Healthier emotional climates in schools and homes
- SEL-infused pedagogy, practices, and school-wide policies

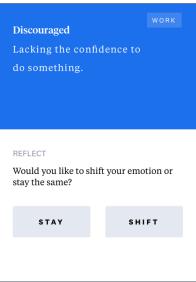
- Increased engagement and performance
- Better-quality relationships and less bullying
- More responsible decisions and behavior
- Better stress management and greater well-being



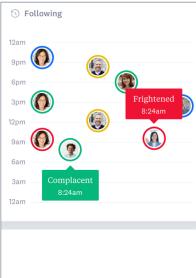
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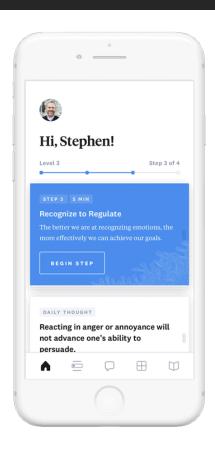








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Let's Put It All Together!

- Give yourself and the people you care about Permission To Feel
- Understand that all emotions are information
- Be an emotion scientist, not an emotion judge
- Appreciate that emotional intelligence (EI) is a real set of hard skills
- There are creative ways to develop your EI (systemic approaches are better!)
- Accept that it's never too early or late to cultivate EI (and it's life's work!)
- Check in regularly, be the role model, monitor your strategies
- With your hard work, we can build a healthier, and more equitable, innovative, and compassionate society



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