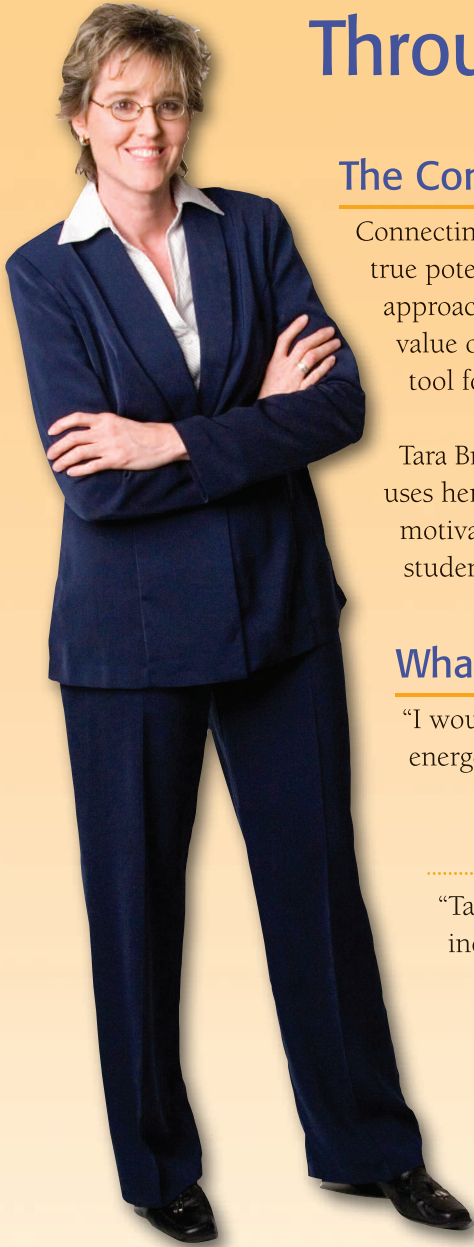


Increasing Performance Through Stronger Connections



TARA BROWN, M.Ed./CMT

The Concept

Connecting and building relationships within a school and classroom is vital if true potential is to be realized. Having taught on both coasts, Tara brings a unique approach to helping both veteran and new teachers understand and embrace the value of developing relationships with students and using humor as an incredible tool for teaching and learning.

Tara Brown, an award winning educator/coach, author, and relationship specialist, uses her experiences and talents to deliver a dynamic presentation that will educate, motivate and inspire your organization to make powerful changes to maximize student achievement.

What people say about Tara

“I would highly recommend Tara Brown as a presenter and mentor...dynamic, energetic, humorous and displayed a keen sensitivity to adolescent issues.”

*Melinda Carver, Mentoring Program Coordinator
Davidson County School District*

“Tara is on an educational mission to improve schools and with her humor, individual passion and drive...she is making a real difference.”

*Tom Vasser, Exemplary Educator
Tennessee Department of Education*

“There is a reason young people gravitate towards Tara. She knows how to create and maintain an environment that is respectful, rewarding, and relevant. Most importantly, young people know that she cares.”

*Hal Cato, President & CEO
Oasis Center*

“Tara Brown’s skills and leadership in the classroom are magical. She is able to create an environment where students not only show up in body, but they show up in spirit as well—fully present, fully engaged. Her humor and compassion set students free to be themselves. When it comes to developing student-teacher relationships and actively engaging youth, Tara keeps it real, makes it relevant and gets it done.”

*Susan Ragsdale
YMCA Center for Asset Development*



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PRESENTATION TOPIC: Increasing Classroom Performance Through Stronger Connections

In this content rich workshop, participants will learn:

- How and why stronger student-teacher connections increase classroom performance and decrease discipline issues.
- The importance of humor/laughter on learning and the classroom environment.
- How to create a community within the classroom.
- Proven strategies for connecting with students.

Results from this workshop include:

- Improved student engagement through proven strategies/techniques
- Stronger individual commitment to lead, motivate and inspire
- Reduced discipline issues/referrals
- Stronger understanding of the power and positive impact of solid teacher-student connections

What people say about this workshop:

“The response and feedback from my teachers across the district was unbelievable. Very powerful presentation with relevant content from someone who has spent years in the trenches. I would highly recommend this workshop for other districts.”

*Jimmy Long, Superintendent, Humphreys County
President, Tennessee Organization of School Superintendents*

“Tara Brown speaks with the voice of one who has ongoing real-world experience in the classroom. She is passionate about the positive relationships teachers must have with their students and communicates it in a way that will inspire your faculty.”

R. Martin, Principal, Waverly Central High

“Funny, entertaining, touching and mostly, dead on ‘from the trenches’ experience.”

“This is the kind of workshop we need every year! Thanks for your encouragement.”

“In 14 years of going to in-service training, this has been the most useful, REAL, impactful training I have ever attended.”

Participants

ABOUT TARA



Tara’s 20-plus year career has taken her coast to coast from rural schools in Florida to gang territory in Long Beach, Calif., and to one of Tennessee’s largest High Schools representing students from over 35 countries. Tara is recognized as a specialist in connecting with youth and building relationships with students and staff. Her career has impacted mainstream, at risk teens and nontraditional leaders by empowering them with leadership and life skills and guiding them toward the life they envisioned.

She received the Pioneer Award and Teacher of the Year award in 2006 for her work in piloting the Leadership Development program at Antioch High School. Her passion continues to drive her to work with teachers across the nation to better equip them with the ability to connect and have meaningful relationships with their students, in order that more relevant learning can take place.



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