

TAP MONTHLY

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TAP NEWS

- Your district meetings begin this month. Work with your site teams to schedule monthly TAP meetings (district/school).
- Please schedule your refresher trainings.
- Our new TAP Monthly format is more printable. Please share with your mediators!
- Don't forget to log mediations in your Google spreadsheet. See the "How-to" guide for help.
- We have a new logo!
- Mediators can submit new roleplays to their Site Coordinators for inclusion in TAP Monthly.
- We have lots of cool new TAP swag available for order-- start fundraising today!

STRATEGY OF THE MONTH

BE PATIENT

Allow plenty of time. Do not interrupt if possible. It may be tempting to talk and fill the silence, but you cannot listen if you are talking.

NEW TAP CHALLENGE

If your school logs 20 mediations by December 7th,



you will earn a cupcake party!

NEW TAP STAFF MEMBER LIZZI MEISTER



Lizzi Meister is our newest addition to the TAP staff team. She is from Wisconsin and is a recent graduate from the University of British Columbia in Vancouver, Canada. Lizzi looks forward to seeing mediators grow as they become more confident in their conflict resolution skills this year.

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE TAP SUMMIT

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the 6th Annual TAP Summit at Blackburn Laboratory Middle School on September 17th. We all came together in the morning to thank our fantastic Site Coordinators with some TAP Swag, play a TAP Edition of Family Feud, and receive a rousing welcome from Dr. Laquanta Nelson. In the afternoon, we had the opportunity to learn from Chief Lee Vance of the Jackson Police Department and Ms. Aisha Carson of the American Civil Liberties Union.



Site coordinators, administrators, and advocates dove into Goal Setting & Action Plans and Implementation Rubrics with Mr. Miller to set their sights on a successful year of TAP.

**THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ATTENDED.
WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO
ANOTHER GREAT YEAR!**



Mediators attended professional development sessions and learned about a variety of current issues facing students today, such as the school-to-prison pipeline, LGBTQ+ issues, applying TAP to a future profession, and navigating rocky friendships. Students also discussed how to move forward from last year's successes and challenges, practiced Impact Statements, and wrote new Roleplay Scenarios.



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DO YOU HAVE A TAP STORY TO SHARE?

SUBMIT THIS PAGE WITH YOUR EXPERIENCES AS A
MEDIATOR TO YOUR SITE COORDINATOR

SUBMIT YOUR OWN PRACTICE ROLEPLAY TO BE FEATURED IN FUTURE NEWSLETTERS

DISPUTANT 1:

Impact Statement for DISPUTANT 1:

DISPUTANT 2:

Impact Statement for DISPUTANT 2:
