


January Announcements

- The TAP Summit will take place on Tuesday, January 14th 9AM-2PM for middle schools and Wednesday, January 15th from 9AM-2PM for high schools at the Council of Federated Organizations (COFO).



TAP
TALK ABOUT THE PROBLEMS


12TH ANNUAL TAP SUMMIT
TAP AND BEYOND

taking conflict resolution beyond the limits of the classroom

WHEN
9 AM - 2 PM
Middle Schools: January 14th
High Schools: January 15th

WHERE
Council of Federated Organizations (COFO)
1017 John R. Lynch St, Jackson, MS 39203

Transportation and sack lunch provided by schools



SPOTLIGHT



Shout out to Jim Hill High School for throwing a wonderful Christmas party for

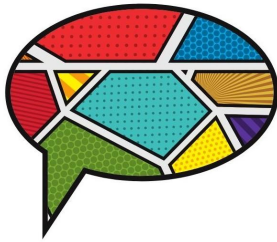


We want to recognize our new partnership with the Mississippi Achievement School District (MASD) and the 44 fantastic mediators who were recently trained from Woolfolk Middle School, O.M. McNair

the TAP mediators!

Middle School, Humphreys County High School, and Yazoo City High School.

STRATEGY OF THE MONTH



Revitalize Your TAP Space

Make your TAP space feel fresh for the new year! You know how to make the disputants feel comfortable with your words and mediator skills; it is also important to make your mediation room feel welcoming from the moment they enter. Decorate your space with posters, drawings, and other fun images to help disputants feel comfortable and inspired in the TAP room.

TAP Stickers

Start the new semester off with new stickers to represent TAP! Talk to your site coordinator about buying a set of five stickers for \$1.



LOG YOUR MEDIATIONS

Google Form Makes Logging Easier



Mediators and Site Coordinators, click the link below to access a Google Form to quickly and easily log your mediations.

Middle Schools: A Site Coordinator logs the mediation, and mediators may but are not required to.

High Schools: A Site Coordinator logs the mediation as well as at least one mediator.

[Click here to fill out the form.](#)

For more details on how to use this form, view our handy guide [here](#).

STAFF PICK

Each month our staff members highlight their favorite conflict resolution resources.

TEDx

Restorative justice is all about building a system focused on reconciliation and rehabilitation. In [this TEDx video](#), college sophomore Laila Fakhoury explains the power of restorative justice to repair and prevent the harms caused by the school-to-prison pipeline.

*Rachel says: One goal of TAP is to cut through the **school-to-prison pipeline**, a national trend in which children are funneled out of public schools and into the juvenile and criminal justice systems. TAP, peer mediation, and conflict resolution are part of a much larger framework within **restorative justice**.*

TAP WORKSHOPS

Each month we feature one of our TAP workshops. Click on the image to read more about them.

Making Connections

Learn techniques such as empathetic listening and productive questioning which can help build connections with those who differ from you in order to prevent and navigate conflicts.



PRACTICE ROLEPLAY

Yuri:

Each new year, Newman thinks he can leave behind every annoying and mean thing he's said to me and start over. It's honestly rude and mean that he thinks whatever he said has no impact now. I'm not ready to forget the ways he hurt me last year.

Impact Statement for Yuri:

Newman:

I don't really get what Yuri is so mad about. It's a new year. Why can't we start over? Yeah, so what if I said a few things that were a little harsh, but why does she still care? Shouldn't she be happy that I'm trying to start fresh?

Impact Statement for Newman:

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