

Title: Creating Trauma-Informed Schools and Classrooms

Description: School districts that recognize the impact of stress, adversity, and trauma on students must now consider how to implement trauma-informed approaches within their unique contexts. This presentation will help school administrators effectively:

- define and describe a trauma informed approach, including the six principles for Compassionate Schools;
- apply a trauma-informed approach to IEP and 504 development;
- apply practical, implementable Tier 1 and Tier 2 strategies at the district and classroom levels to support students with a history of adversity or trauma;
- make decisions regarding trauma screening and assessment;
- discuss relevant school or district policies that promote a trauma-informed school environment within an MTSS framework;
- identify related case law and state statutes;
- examine a trauma-informed approach to building design; and
- ensure a school culture that minimizes secondary traumatic stress among staff.