

16 Strategies to Promote Safe and Respectful Environments

#	Strategy	
1	Physical and emotional safety are consistently reinforced	
2	When setting limits a- Identify the behavior and why it is unsafe/a violation, b- Suggest another way they could have met their need, c- Identify the consequence	
3	Use positive reinforcement to shape more pro-social behavior	
4	Model the behavior you want from the kids	
5	Communicate with them the way you want your supervisor to communicate with you.	
6	Validate feelings, perspective prior to re-directing	
7	Give choices rather than orders	
8	Use “I” statements or give information rather than “You” statements	
9	Give the kids a way to comply with dignity	
10	Know and practice emergency protocols	
11	Isolate rebels and manage/minimize audience factor	
12	Have crisis review meetings to learn what to do differently next time	
13	Provide high levels of supervision and structure	
14	Restore the physical environment quickly after a crisis	
15	No war stories within 30 minutes of a crisis	
16	Follow all policies and procedures at all times	