

## ***Safer Schools Ohio promotes positive school climate***

Safer Schools Ohio encourages schools to get *Off to a great start* by defining and promoting a positive school climate that reflects their individual values and priorities.

A positive school climate is the product of a school's attention to: fostering trust and safety; promoting a supportive academic, disciplinary, and physical environment; and, encouraging and maintaining respectful and caring relationships throughout the school.



Make sure your school gets off to a great start using these strategies from the National School Climate Center:

- ◆ Have a common vision and plan for promoting a positive school climate;
- ◆ Provide Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports programs (PBIS);
- ◆ Model and nurture attitudes and behaviors that promote connectedness and school safety;
- ◆ Insure every student's connection with at least one caring adult in the school; and,
- ◆ Utilize your district's Anti-Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying Policy.

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