

Mindful Movements

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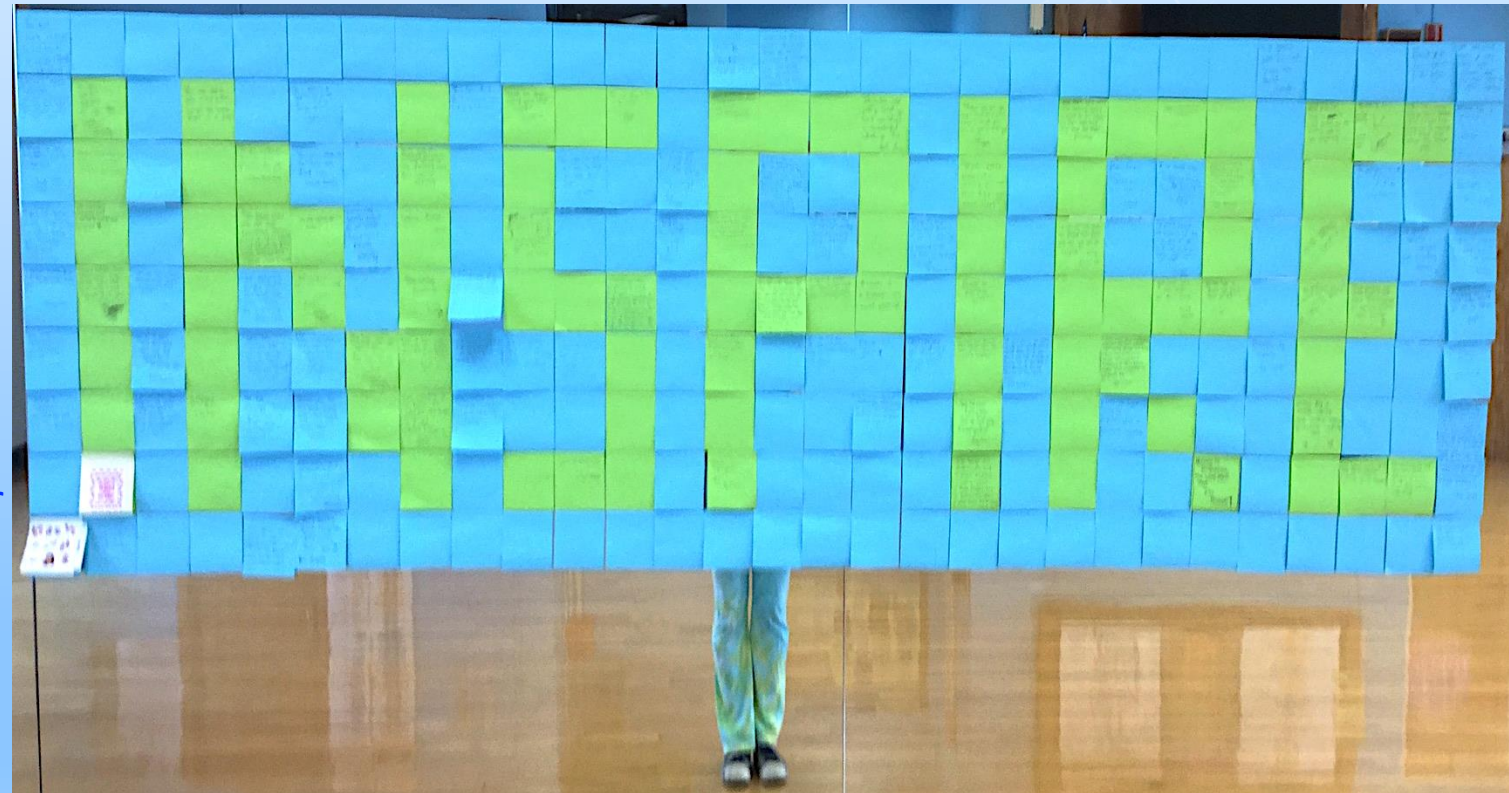
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The BODY heals
with play,

The MIND heals
with laughter,

And the SPIRIT
heals with joy.

--Proverb



MODIFIED SUN SALUTATION



What is a Mindful Movement

Mindful movements are positive, inspirational songs set to yoga, functional fitness, and dance movements

The students create mindful movements for a great cardio workout and to help stimulate discussion on SEL topics

We can use music, lyrics, and meaning of the song as a bridge for SEL on topics like social justice, bullying, inequalities, etc., etc.

Using the music as the vehicle; thus, not addressing a person or group of people
Creating a safe learning environment to discuss hard topics

How to do a Mindful Movement

There is NO cueing, NO wrong way, BE Yourself😊

All the choruses have almost the same movements,
giving time to regroup.

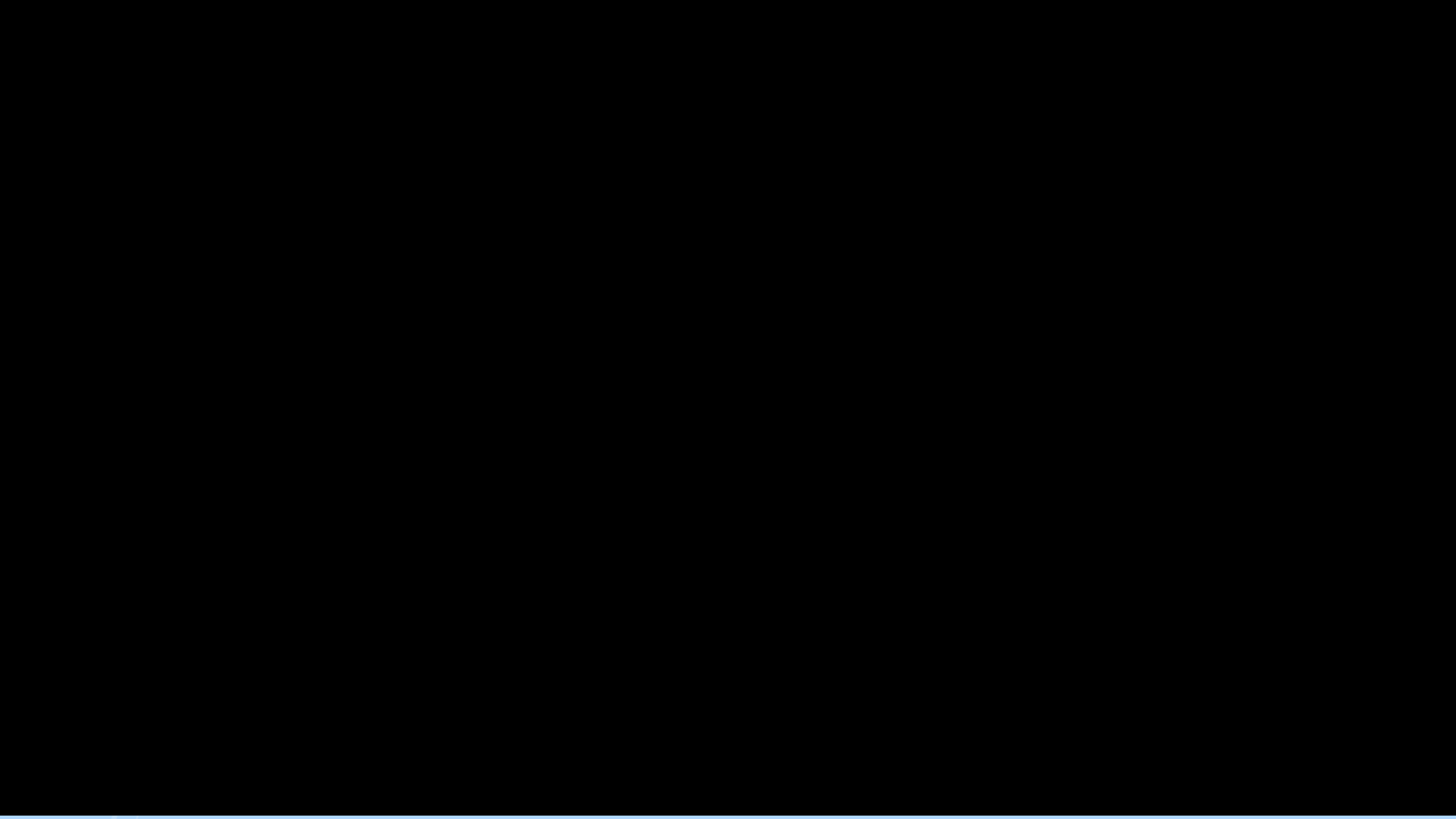
FRIST time through will be a learning experience😊

SECOND time through , you will AMAZE yourself how much you've picked up😊

THIRD time through YOU will be ROCKIN ' it

THE FLOWER





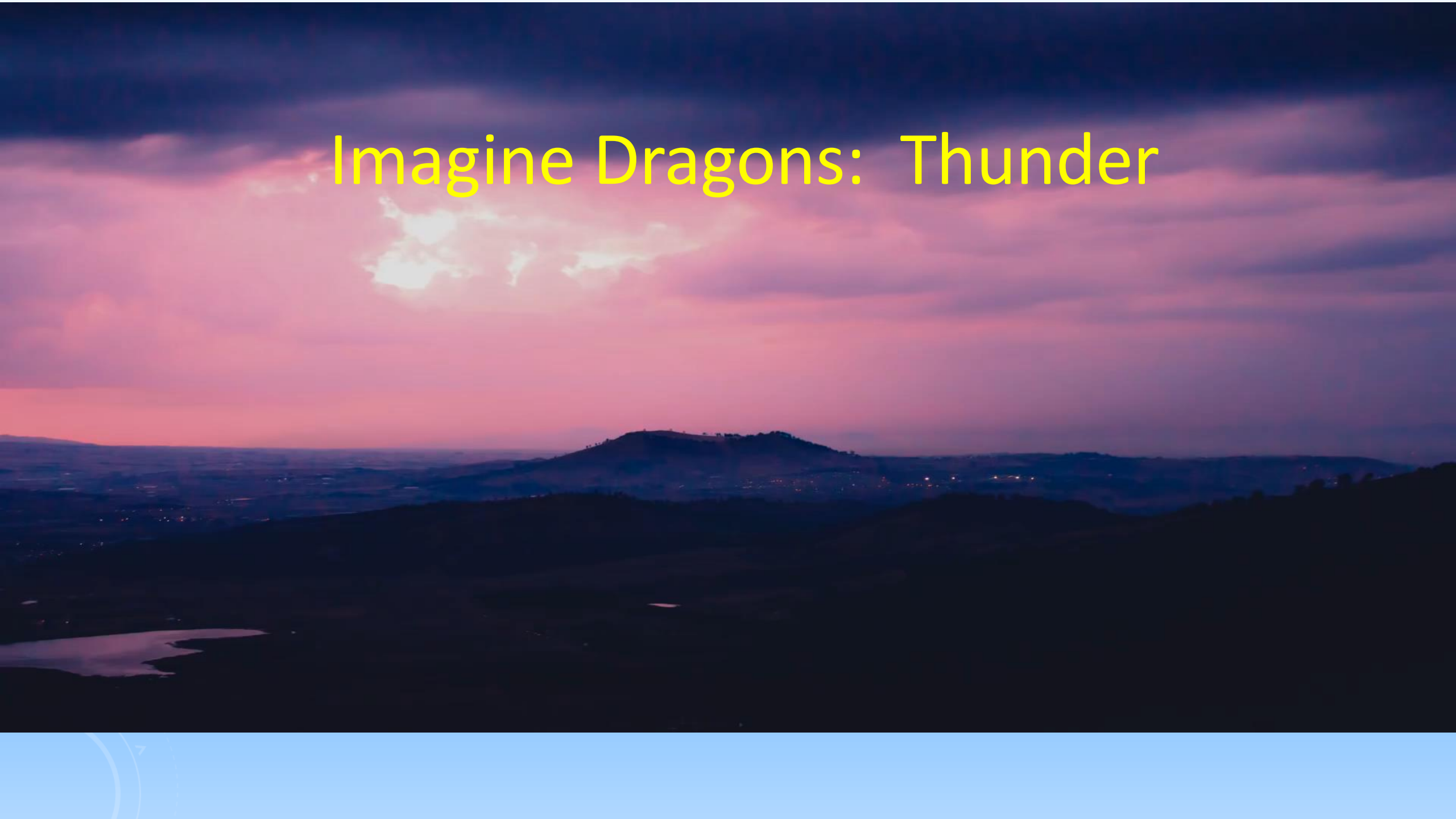
The original photograph of a flower and a gun, often associated with the "Flower Power" movement,

The photograph was taken by Bernie Boston during a large protest against Vietnam War at the Pentagon on October 21, 1967.

The photo depicts an 18-year-old protester, George Harris, placing carnations into the barrels of rifles held by National Guard soldiers.



Imagine Dragons: Thunder



ORIGINAL MOTION PICTURE SOUNDTRACK

HUGH
JACKMAN

ZAC
EFRON

MICHELLE
WILLIAMS

REBECCA
FERGUSON

ZENDAYA

THE GREATEST SHOWMAN



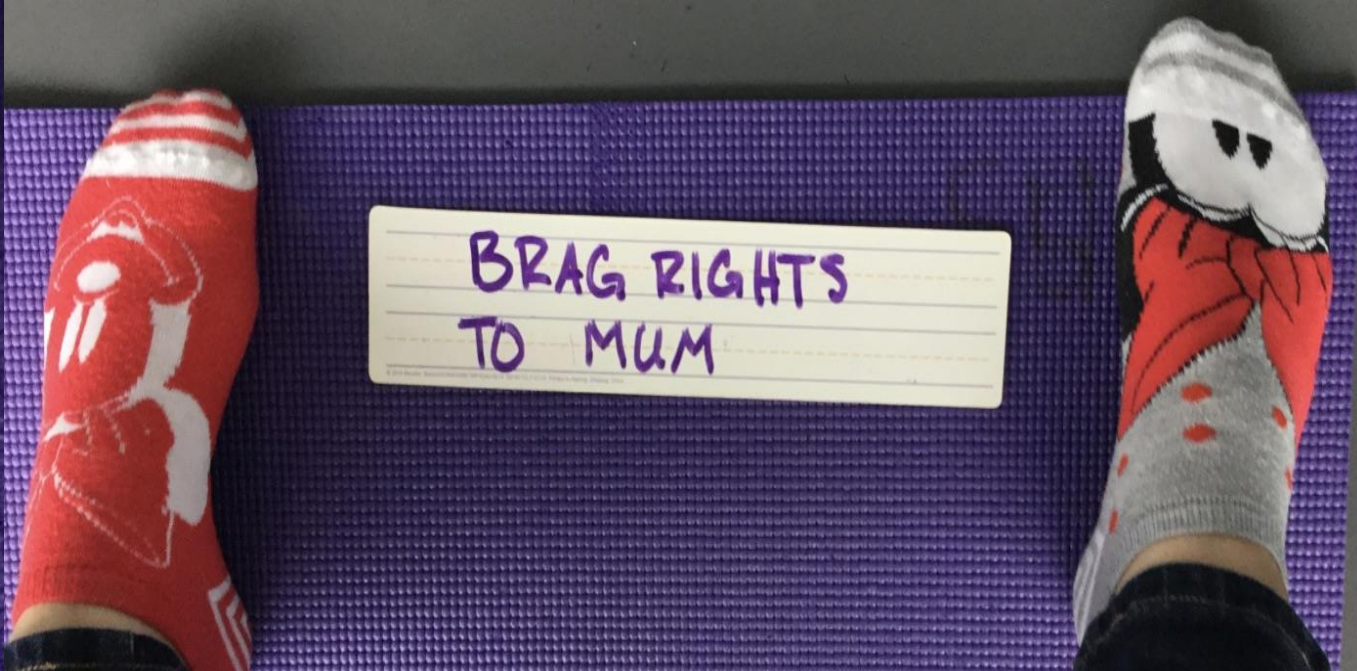


WHAT IS THE WHY.....TO THE WHY😊😊

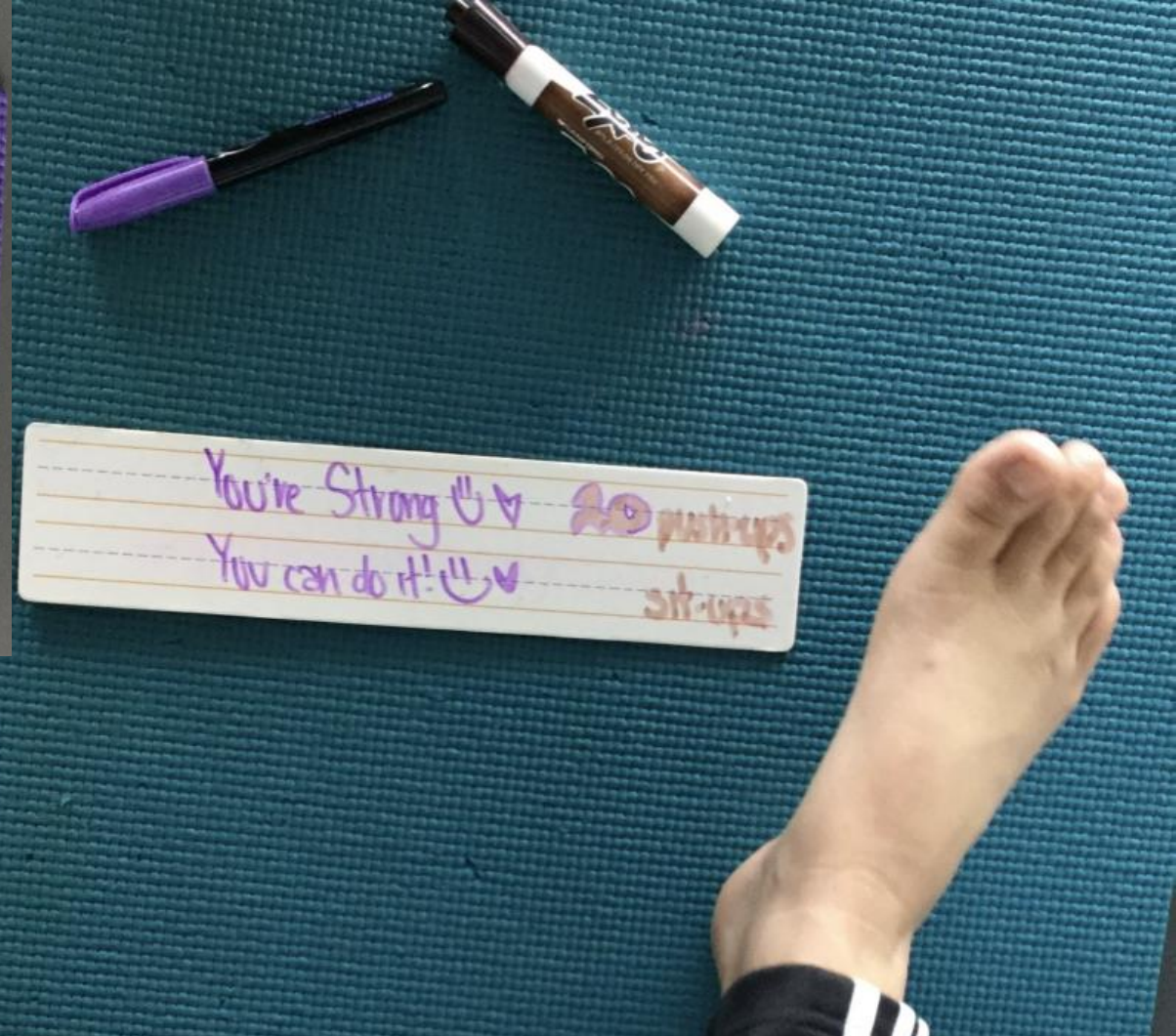
MICHAEL  **JR.**

“Between stimulus and response, there is a space. In that space is our power to choose our response.”

VIKTOR FRANKL



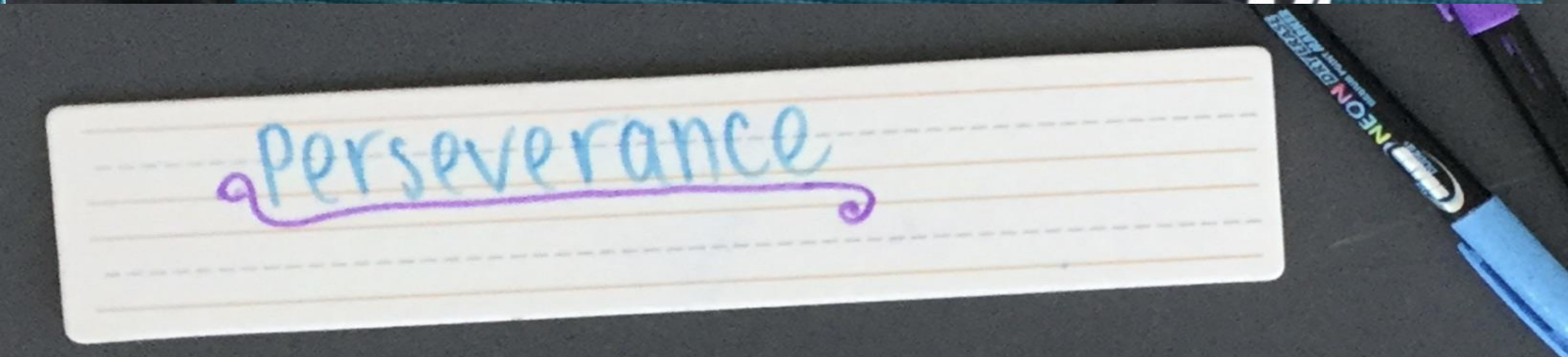
BRAG RIGHTS
TO MUM



You're Strong U ♡ 20 push-ups
You can do it! U ♡ sit-ups



Inspire



Perseverance

POWER STRENGTH !!
Keep going
you can do it





What

My **WHAT** is empowering students through lifetime activities in creative, fun ways supporting each other individually and as a group in and out of the classroom.



WHY

Celebrating each others' strengths and differences Helps develop happy, health relationships with each other and the Self

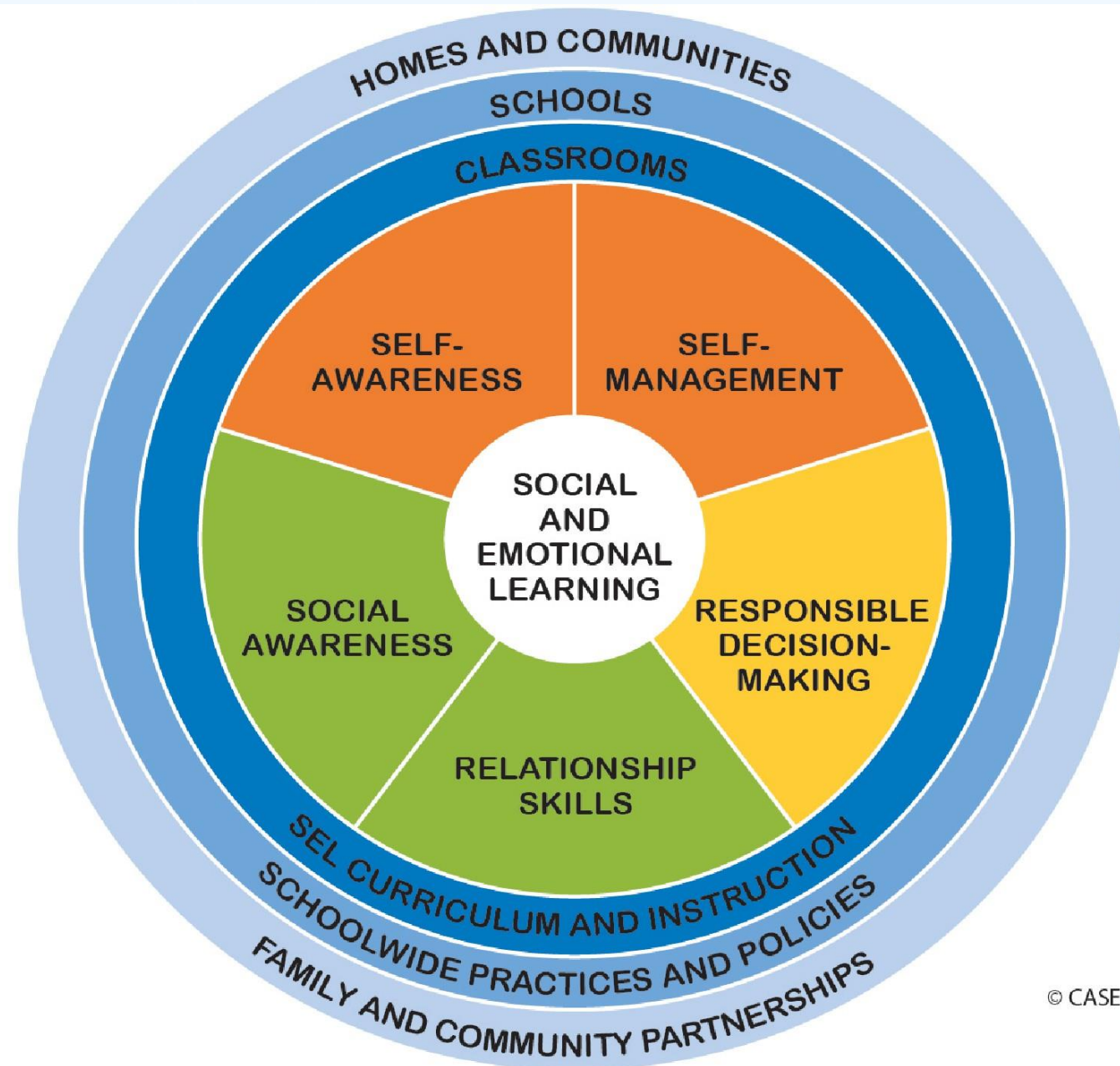


A group of Indian children, mostly girls, are gathered outdoors on a grassy area. They are all smiling and have their hands raised towards the camera, creating a sense of reaching out. The children are wearing colorful clothing, including a yellow shirt, a blue and white striped shirt, and a white shirt with a blue pattern. The background is a blurred green field.

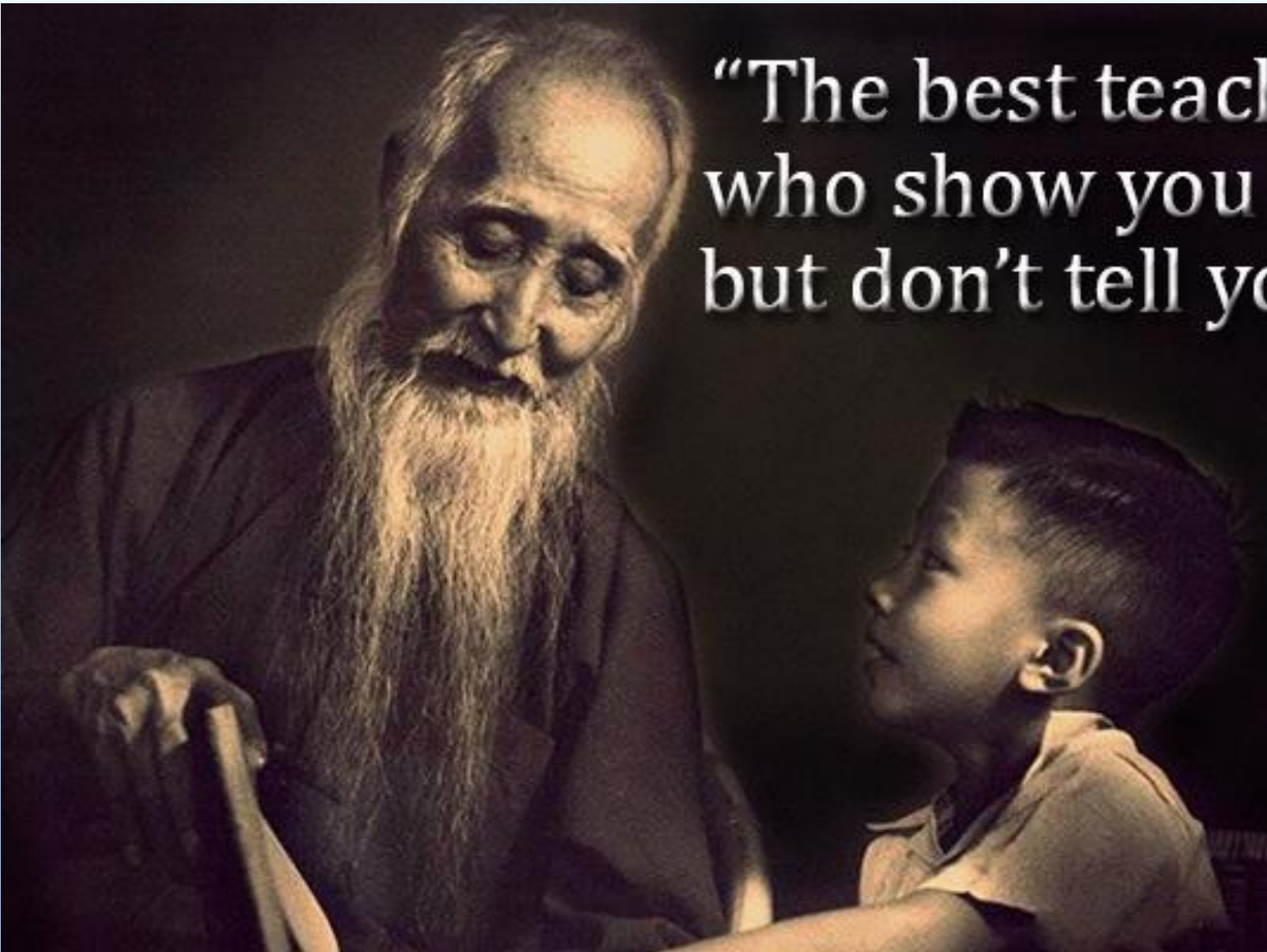
The gifts of
movement, laughter
& play cross all
CULTURES

My joy is helping
sculpt young people
to **BELIEVE**

in themselves & make
the **WORLD** a better
place



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A painting of an elderly man with a long white beard and a young boy looking up at him. The man is on the left, wearing a dark robe, and the boy is on the right, wearing a light-colored shirt. The background is dark and moody.

“The best teachers are those
who show you where to look,
but don’t tell you what to see.”

-Alexadra K. Trenfor



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What is your
WHY
to the
WHY;)