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How to Love Teaching without Strangling Your Students



Teaching is very rewarding work but it also can be very challenging. This is especially true when dealing with classroom management issues such as trying to discourage disruptive talking while keeping students' attention and maintaining a productive learning environment or preventing a whole host of other problems like bullying, poisonous student conflicts, plagiarism, and cheating.

Here are some websites to help out.

Classroom Management

Scroll down to the chart of classroom management issues and their solutions covering many of the small annoyances of class life. <http://www.4faculty.org/includes/108r2.jsp>

Links to classroom management strategies and techniques from the State College of Florida. <http://tinyurl.com/ygh3cs8>

Larry Ferlazzo's interview with Marvin Marshall on positive classroom management. <http://tinyurl.com/yeiw5gq>

Ten interventions when students get out of hand. http://www.activetraining.com/active_learning/tool_ten_interventions.htm

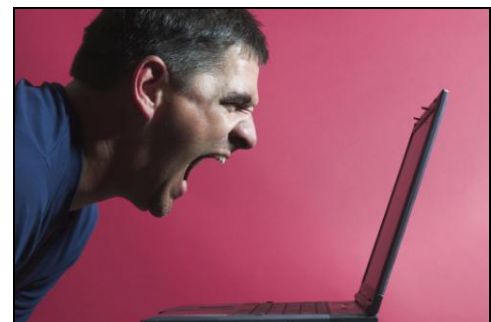
Finally, here's one from RTC's former Instructional Improvement website. <http://webs.rtc.edu/ii/resources.html#Classroom>

Copyright and Plagiarism

RTC Library's page on copyright and plagiarism resources, including links to pages on detecting and discouraging plagiarism. <http://www.rtc.edu/library/PlagCopyFac.htm>

Stanford University Libraries website on copyright and fair use. <http://fairuse.stanford.edu/index.html>

From the Writing Center, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. <http://www.unc.edu/depts/wcweb/handouts/plagiarism.html>



RTC Library Materials on Classroom Management

Call the RTC Library at ext. 2331 or visit <http://rtc.edu/library> for more info about materials on this topic.



Amanda, Gerald. *Coping with the Disruptive College Student: a Practical Model* (call number: **378.19 AMADA 1994**) and *Coping with Misconduct in the College Classroom: a Practical Model* (call number: **378.195 AMADA 1999**). Both books are published by the College Administration Publications in Asheville, NC.



Bleeker, Karen Clos. *To Be Honest: Championing Academic Integrity in Community Colleges*. Washington, DC: Community College Press, 2008. Book. Call number: **378.1958 BLEEKER 2008**.



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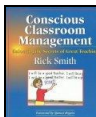
Harris, Robert A. *Using Sources Effectively: Strengthening Your Writing and Avoiding Plagiarism*. Glendale, CA: Pycszak Publishing, 2005. Book. Call number: **808.02 HARRIS 2005**.



Keeping Control of the Class (call number: **MEDIA - 371.1024 KEEPING 1999C**) and *Managing Student Conflict* (call number: **MEDIA - 371.1024 MANAGIN 1999s**). Both are VHS videos produced by Teacher's Video Company in Scottsdale, AZ.



Research Skills for Students: Avoiding Plagiarism. Wynnewood, PA: Schlessinger Media, Library Video Co., 2004. DVD. Call number: **MEDIA - 004.678 RESEARC 2004s**.



Smith, Rick. *Conscious Classroom Management: Unlocking the Secrets of Great Teaching*. San Rafael, CA: Conscious Teaching Publications, 2004. Book. Call number: **371.1024 SMITH 2004**.



Webber, Elizabeth. *S.M.A.R.T. Management for Teaching and Learning: Behaviors That Work, Strategies That Matter*. Seattle, WA: Hara, 2001. Book. Call number: **371.1024 WEBBER 2001**.

We Need Your Contributions and Suggestions!

In upcoming months we plan to feature info about **preparing students for the workplace** and **instructional technology**. Contact newsletter editor, [Debbie Crumb](#), with your tips, websites and suggestions. To access past issues, go to the Library's website at <http://rtc.edu/library>, click on **Services and Information**, then **Library Publications**, then **Recent issues published by RTC Library**, and finally on the desired format (**PDF** or **Word**).



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