# Restorative Questions:

When responding to conflict, restorative questions involve exploring what prompted the harm and then looking for ways to repair the harm done. The following restorative questions are asked:

https://achieve.lausd.net/restorativejustice

- 1. What happened?
- 2. What were you thinking at the time of the incident?
- 3. What have you thought about since?
- 4. Who was affected by what happened and how?
- 5. What about this has been hardest for you?
- 6. What do you think needs to be done to make things as right as possible?

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### **Circle Core Guidelines**

- Respect the Talking Piece
- Speak from your Heart
- Listen with your Heart
- Speak with Respect
- Listen with Respect
- Remain in the Circle
- Honor Privacy



## Sample Prompting Questions

- Share a happy memory.
- What do you appreciate about your school?
- If you had an unexpected free day, what would you do?
- If you were an animal, what animal would you be and why?
- What are three "gifts" (attributes of yourself) that you bring to the circle?
- What do you think other people see as your best quality? Why?

#### Check-in Circle - Sample Prompts

- How are you feeling today?
- What value would you like to offer for our classroom?
- What is something you are thankful for? Why?
- Talk about something you want and something you need, what is the difference?
- What is a goal you have for yourself? How will you celebrate when you accomplish it?

### Check-out Circle - Sample Prompts

- Verbally, appreciate someone in the circle.
- Talk about one of your academic goals you accomplished this week and how.
- Where do you see yourself moving forward?
- What can you take away that is useful to you?
- How will these insights gained today help you in the next two weeks?