

Teaching to the Male Brain

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I. Takeaway Objectives....

- Understanding differences– Biological, emotional, and psychological differences unique to males
- Educational challenges for males – communicating with males, classroom structure, learning styles
- Effective Strategies- Strategies to help males learn and be successfully educated.
- Putting it all together – Why we should care and what to do about it.

II. Boys/Young Men are Failing

- ◆ Undereducated, under- or unemployed
- ◆ Escalating prison rates
- ◆ Higher rates of learning disorders
- ◆ Self-destructive behaviors

III. Differences in Brain

- a. Biological
- b. Psychological
- c. Emotional
- d. Learning Styles

IV. Educating Males

- a. Challenges
- b. Teaching Methods/System
- c. Classroom Structure
- d. Communicating with Males
- e. What Works/What Doesn't

V. Communicating with Males

- Give Him Space
- Simplify Conversation
- Remove Visual distractions
- One topic at a time
- Be Consistent
- Learn male language
- Give Problem to Solve
- Get Physical
- Timing is everything - Takes longer to process, can't read paper & talk
- Fight fair

VI. Strategies to Consider...

- i. Spatial/Visual Representations
- ii. Experiential Kinesthetic Opportunities
- iii. Object Lessons
- iv. Topics of Interest to Males
- v. Single Gender Learning Environments
- vi. Role Models

VII. Why Should We Care?

“Where have all the good men gone?”
Helping Males to Read & Learn
We can help BOTH boys & girls succeed
Healthy Boys Make Healthy Men/
Healthy Men Make Healthy Families/ &
Healthy Families Make a Healthy Society

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