

QUOTES FROM PARTICIPANTS

The presentations and real-life examples made [the] information come alive.

I enjoyed that the presenter admitted to and gave examples of mistakes.

This class was highly interactive, and forced me to stretch my own views.

I definitely think my perspective was widened with regard to interpreting the needs behind behaviors.

I learned how to be real/transparent, to use my own toolbox.

My favorite part of this class was hearing about the actual students and the presenter's experiences.

I enjoyed watching the scenarios unfold. I'm a visual learner, so seeing how it played out was great.

I learned how to engage kids more in the learning process; They know what they need!

I enjoyed your contagious inspiration and passion for the hard cases.

Participating in the role playing exercises forced me to learn about myself, to take a deeper look at my stuff.

I feel like I have more tools.

I loved hearing your examples, and I felt an emotional response with each one [of them].

I enjoyed your presence; you are engaging and entertaining!

I learned that my gut instinct should weigh heavily in decision-making.

I learned that it's important to give students a sense of power; Let them guide you!

The role playing exercises taught me the way to reach children is to think outside the box.

I learned to be empathetic.

I learned you can't force information out of students; You need to figure out how to talk to them.

This class was different from my other classes; the approaches went beyond the textbook.

I learned new ways to look at and think about children in distress.

I learned how to think about the tools I [already] have, that I never thought about using before.

I enjoyed hearing how our other class members saw themselves handling similar situations.

This class opened my mind to the challenges that different students present, and how I need to think outside the box to solve them.

I learned that, if you left them, students will tell you their needs.

I learned that students are only as strong as I allow them to be. Don't limit learning with ignorance.

I learned that we're all human.

I learned to reflect on approaching students in nontraditional ways.

I enjoyed having discussion over real-life cases of students, to see how they were worked with and [the challenges that were] overcome.

I will take the "role reversal" strategy to school with me tomorrow.

You were interactive and engaging.

It gave me different pathways to walk when dealing with challenges.

I learned how other people feel and what they experience.

I feel as if I have one more tool in my toolkit - empathy.

The real-life examples made everything relevant.