Testing The Promise Of Restorative Practices For Reducing Teacher Turnover In Hard-To-Staff Schools



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BACKGROUND: Restorative Practices is a growing intervention that shows promise for improving discipline inequities.

- What does rigorous causal evidence say?
- What is its impact on teacher's perceptions of their school climate and teacher turnover?

Assignment to Restorative Practices		School Climate		Teachers' Turnover Intentions
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The Experiment and Intervention

- 1. Cluster Randomized Control Trial Block design by district
- 2. 33 schools in 8 large urban districts
- **3. 2 year IIRP Safer Saner Schools** (after 2-3 years of Diplomas Now)

The Analysis

- . School Climate factor analysis
- 2. ITT school climate
- 3. ITT turnover intentions
- 4. Block-treatment variation?

RESULTS

Estimated Impact of RP/DN on outcomes (by respondent)

Outcome	Impact		
School Climate Composite			
Teacher	170 (.103) †		
Student	.068 (.032)*		
SC: Teaching and Learning			
Teacher	189 (.058)**		
Student	.041 (.051)		
SC: Fewer Problems			
Teacher	.175 (.150)		
Student	.102 (.048)*		
SC: Leadership (Teachers)	.09 (.128)		
SC: Relationships (Students)	.077 (.045) †		
Intentions to stay	+		
At their school	253 (.227)		
In the profession	315 (.270)		
Problematic Teacher absenteeism	386 (.180)*		
(teacher)			

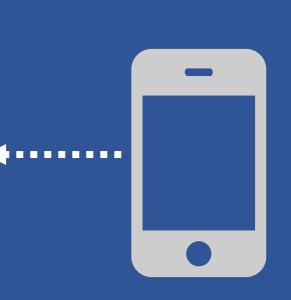
Schools with **Restorative Practices** had significantly nore positive school climate.



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Teachers in schools with Restorative Practices had non-significantly higher turnover intentions.

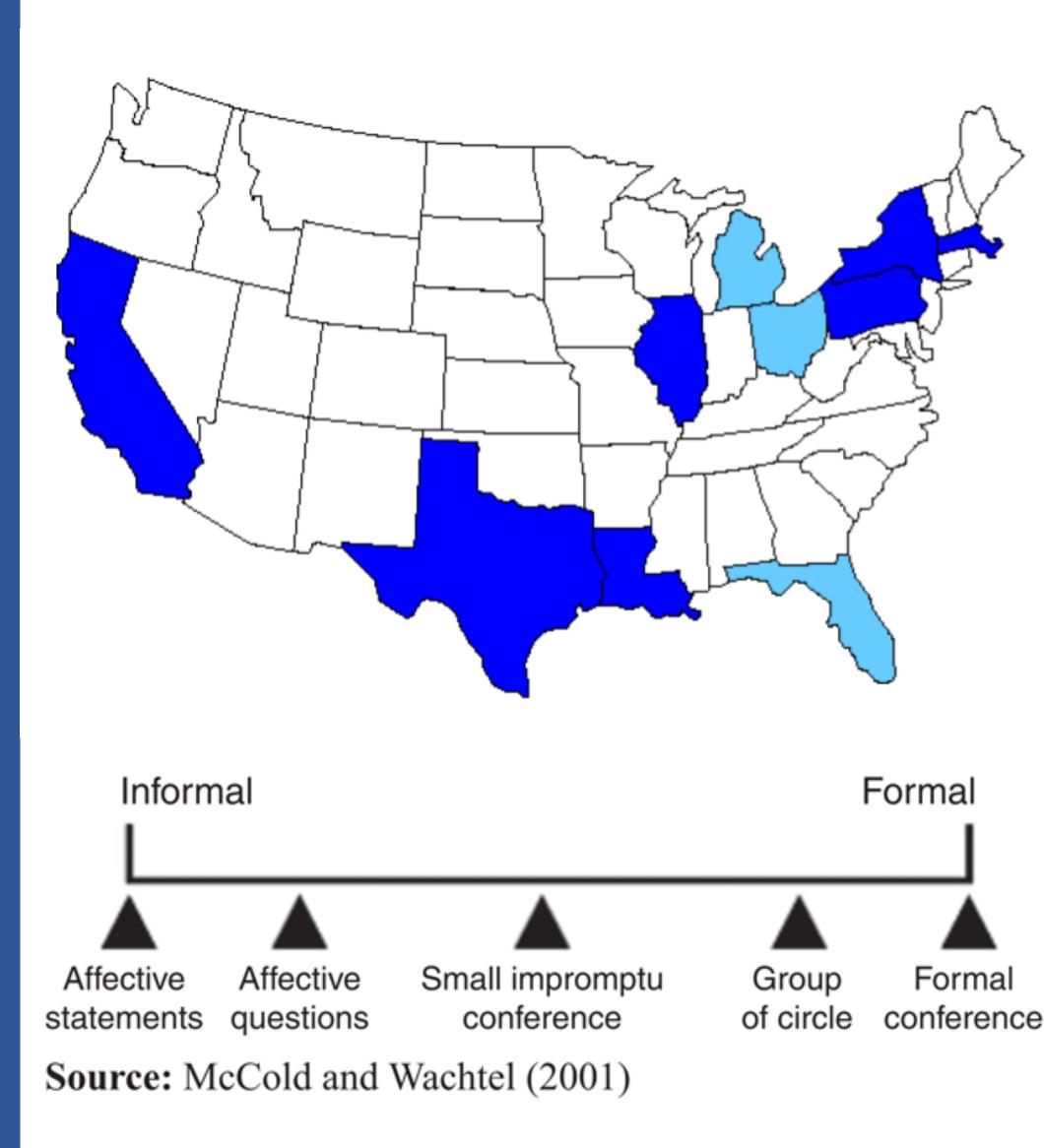




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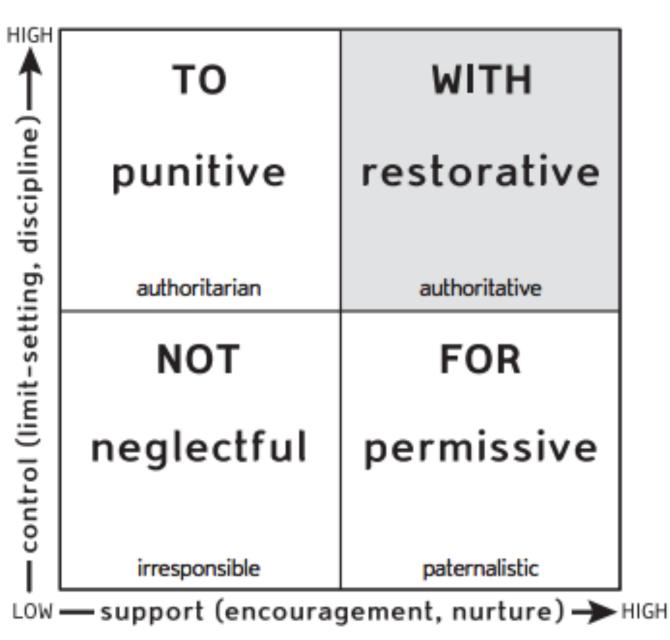


Figure 1. Social Discipline Window

Next Studies...

- Mediation analysis does implementation explain the variation in treatment effects?.
- Full data set predictors of turnover intentions among urban teachers

