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Self-Regulation: <i>Routines and scripts for trouble spots</i>	Execution: <i>Common Language, Templates, and Reflective Questioning</i>
Response Inhibition <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a routine for calling out answers in class (Zip Arounds, Random Numbers, etc) • Create routines for unstructured time (e.g., between classes, arriving in classroom) 	Task Initiation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use common templates/organizers for paragraphs, essays, or notes • Provide sentence starters for writing or verbal activities • Model the first step of an activity • Provide the steps of a multi-step task or activity to reduce guesswork
Emotional Control <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide “brain breaks” out of the classroom (run an errand, get water) • Create a “Cool Down” space in your room where students can take a break • Create a self-talk script with student to help when emotions are heightened 	Planning & Prioritizing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use reflective questioning: “What do you think the first step is? What should we do next? What materials do we need? What should we do first?” etc. • Work together to backwards plan an assignment, task, or activity (start at the finished product and work back step by step) • Ask students to visualize themselves finished with the assignment, task, or activity • Create / provide a checklist of steps to complete • Use “I Do/ We Do/ You do” lesson structure • Create a “homework routine” with students



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Goal-Directed Persistence

- Provide a goal-bank for students to choose from for an activity
- Use reflections to help students see connections between the now and the later
- For older students, teach the language of SMART goals (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Time Based)
- Explore goals by starting at the end point and then naming each preceding step

Metacognition

- Provide reflection activities with consistent questioning
- Ask students to reflect on strategies made them successful or to use in the future
- Have students engage in reflection activities about behavior (e.g. Reflection Hall)
- Provide consistent positive reinforcement that references the goal the student is working on
- Reflect on success relative to goals, not feelings



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<p><i>Flexibility</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create daily routines that are as predictable as possible • Preview unusual schedules or events (fire drills, assemblies, field trips) • Assign defined roles in routines allowing student to know in advance what behavior is expected • Create a self-talk script for students to self-soothe • Use common language around unexpected events 	<p><i>Organization</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a routine time each day or week to organize belongings (desk, binder, backpack, locker, Google Drive, Desktop) • Provide a consistent naming convention/routine for saving documents to computer and enforce it • Set up binders or work space with consistent organization / expectations • Allow time at the end of class to consolidate resources, materials, and summaries • Work together to fill out homework planners and check for accuracy
<p><i>Attention</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Have a “phone box” in your classroom • Use visual cues to let students know when it is appropriate to use technology or not • Provide alternative seating options • Provide preferential seating (away from specific peers, front of classroom, near teacher desk etc) • Monitor closely for patterns of attention breakdowns and using a routine cue to redirect attention (i.e., specific phrase, word, or gesture) 	<p><i>Time Management</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask students to predict how long an assignment, task, activity, etc will take • Compare predictions to reality and complete a reflection activity • Use visual timers on your whiteboard to show students how much time has passed and how much they have left to work • Provide verbal cues to help students attend to upcoming transition times • Keep a daily schedule visible for students. Bonus if you have visual cues too for struggling readers!

