

# Overview

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The information in these Classroom Management materials is a compilation of work by many wonderful experts and resources however, it is filtered through the lens of my own experiences as a classroom teacher, a parent, and, as funny as it sounds, a pet owner.

As teachers we have the privilege of working with young people who are unique individuals with a variety of needs, skills, and personalities. I find this exciting, challenging, frustrating, and annoying. That's because teaching allows me to think, make choices, and be creative. Yet knowing I am accountable for all students, I sometimes wish there was a quick answer to a problem or one best way of addressing a concern or need. I have come to the conclusion there is no such thing. Tools, strategies, and styles are as numerous as flavors of jellybeans.

In the "Articles" section is a piece entitled, "*What is Classroom Management?*" There you will find a summary of what research has determined are the "6 key areas of classroom management". How you address these areas is up to you, your attitude and beliefs, your students' needs, and the relationship you establish with your students.

As you peruse through the materials in this resource, you will find it contains my favorite books on the topic, websites to check out, strategies to try, samples to use, self-assessments and checklist tools to help you decide where to focus your next steps. I hope you find this resource helpful and I value any input or suggestions you might like to share. Please feel free to contact me: [dburkle@livermore.k12.ca.us](mailto:dburkle@livermore.k12.ca.us)

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