



Pyramid Pages

News & Tools for Parents & Early Childhood Providers

Social-emotional learning and development is fundamental to children's success in school and beyond, and its importance is understood now more than ever. The Pyramid Model promotes young children's healthy social and emotional development; and provides tools, strategies, and resources for caregivers and families.

Topic: ATTENTION

News

Children use a variety of ways to get attention and will often resort to techniques they find most effective, such as yelling or whining. If that gets a child what is needed, they will continue to yell and whine until they learn a new way to get attention.

The ability to successfully capture someone's attention is a fundamental social skill, and provides for future success in social settings and relationships.



Click to Read:

[Social Skills – How to Teach Your Child to Appropriately Get Your Attention](#)

Tools

You can teach children the way that you want them to get your attention (such as tapping you on the shoulder) and then give positive feedback when that behavior occurs.

When you take the time at home to build on the skills your child is learning at school, you reinforce these positive skills and create a solid social foundation for your child, which will help to reduce challenging behaviors. Visuals can help children work together to learn these skills.



Click to Read:

[Peer Mediated Social Skills and Visual Supports](#)

Resources

- How to gain attention **video:** [How to Gain Someone's Attention](#)
- **Tips** for tots from ECCP: [Building Social Skills in Young Children](#)
- For more **ideas** on teaching social skills: [Make the Most of Playtime](#)
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