

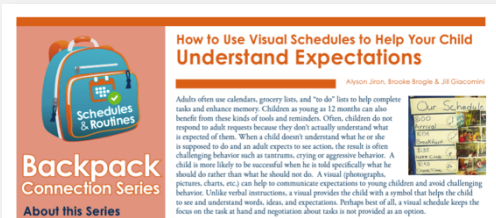


# Pyramid Pages

## 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.

### October Topic: COMMUNICATING EXPECTATIONS



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[How to Use Visual Schedules to Help Your Child Understand Expectations](#)

### News

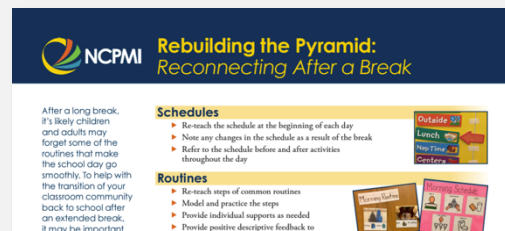
Children may not respond to adult requests because they don't actually understand what is expected of them, and this can lead to tantrums, crying, or other challenging behavior.

A child is more likely to be successful when he or she is told specifically what to do rather than what not to do.

### Tools

Visuals (photographs, pictures, charts, etc.) at school and home help to communicate expectations to young children. Unlike verbal instructions, a visual provides the child with a symbol that helps the child to see and understand words, ideas, and expectations.

Visual schedules greatly limit the amount of "no's" and behavior corrections you need to give throughout the day, since children can better predict what should happen next.



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[Rebuilding the Pyramid: Reconnecting After a Break](#)

### Resources

- Teaching visual strategies **video**: [Using a Visual Schedule with Preschoolers](#)
- For more ideas about visual schedules, check out this **video** from ECCP: [Creating and Using a Visual Schedule](#)
- Pyramid Classroom essentials **checklist**: [Preparing for the Pyramid: Classroom Essentials](#)
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