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- I have taught fifth grade for just under 20 years and the student population has changed a lot during this time. Many students are coming in and struggling with positive mental health. These students may yell, punch, strangle, bite or use other ways of harm toward other students.
- As part of my classroom management I use Responsive Classroom and Peace Class to help build healthy relationships with my students. However some students need more individualized help.
- When unsafe behaviors occur, the individual needs a space for an accurate consequence. Our school is too small for a behavioral wing or separate building to help these individuals learn safe and healthy mindsets.
- Our remaining students are afraid of these unsafe students. Teachers have no alternative location or extra staff to counsel them.
- When the majority of students are afraid to come to school because one student is violent, something needs to be changed.