



Collaborative Problem Solving with Students (A Norton Quick Reference Guide)

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From the authors of [The School Discipline Fix](#) (2018): a three-step guide to using CPS. The most effective way to address students' challenging behaviors is with skill development, not motivational incentives or disciplinary measures.

When students miss class, forget homework, and misbehave, they lack the skill rather than the will to succeed. With this philosophy in mind, *Collaborative Problem Solving with Students*, by youth psychology experts J. Stuart Ablon and Alisha R. Pollastri, provides a clear framework for working with students to address challenging behavior. The QRG offers proven steps for solving a problem collaboratively with a student:

Empathize: Clarify the student's concern

Share your concern

Collaborate: Brainstorm, assess, and choose a solution to try

The easy-to-follow guide is an essential tool for tackling challenging student behavior effectively, collaboratively, and compassionately. This 8.5" x 11" multi-panel guide is laminated for extra durability and 3-hole-punched for binder storage.