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Session 2: Mindful Mondays Trainer: Anne Contreras, Director of Programs

Getting Started:

- 1. If you have any questions, please type them into the Q&A box.
- 2. Remember to also sign up and register in your respective district/agency's system in order to receive credit if needed.
- 3. Since this is an **experiential activity**, please wear comfortable clothing to move in and arrange your space to allow for movement. Also, please have a four-legged chair with no wheels, close by.
- 4. After this session ends, Zoom pops up a link to a feedback survey. Please complete this, as this helps us further support you.



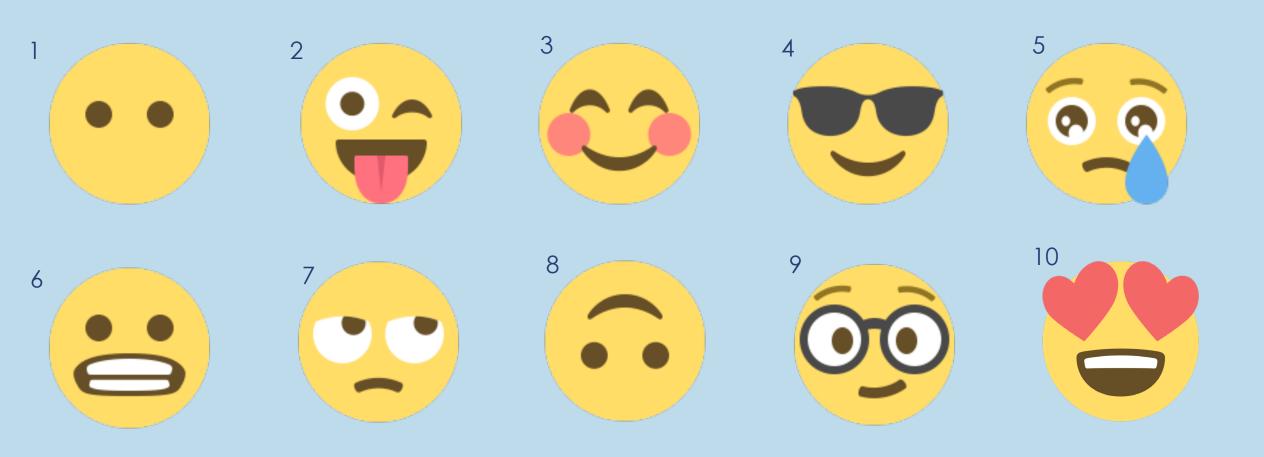
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Introductions

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Engaging Activity: Mindful Listening





Session Objectives

- Practice nasal breathing as an aspect of self-awareness toward being mindful.
- Experience a brief self-care practice.
- Practice "Taking in the Good."



Nasal Breathing

Mouth Breathing





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Benefits of Nasal Breathing



- Filters dust and impurities from the air
- Warms the air to body temperature
- The diaphragm is more easily controlled, which supports the development of internal core strength
- More control over lengthening the breath (extended exhalations help activate the parasympathetic nervous system)
- Increased oxygen from nasal breath increases energy and vitality









Engaging Activity: Breathing Ball











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Engaging Activity: Guided Rest





Optimistic Closure: How to "Take in the Good"



- 1. Look for good facts and turn them into good experiences.
- 2. Really enjoy the experience.
- 3. Intend and sense that good experiences are sinking into you.¹



1: Rick Hanson and Rick Mendius, "Positive Emotions and Taking In the Good," 2007. http://www.wisebrain.org/PositiveEmotions,pdf

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