



Whole Brain Teaching

Renaissance Academy has adopted Whole Brain Teaching as its mode of delivery of instruction and management of behaviors.

- **What is WBT?**
Whole Brain Teaching is an approach designed toward maximizing student engagement, by focusing on the way the brain is really designed to learn. It is an integrated method combining effective classroom management and pedagogically sound approaches to student engagement. Whole Brain Teaching is focused on rewarding students for improvement, rather than ability.
- **How WBT supports PBIS?**
PBIS is a proactive approach to establishing the behavioral supports and social culture and needed for all students in a school to achieve social, emotional and academic success. Whole Brain Teaching supports PBIS by creating an engaging learning environment, establishes a common school language and reinforces positive behavior with the use of the Scoreboard.
- **Super Improver Wall - How students are rewarded for positive behaviors?**
Super Improver Wall is a unique piece of the Whole Brain Teaching system. It is a truly democratic approach to recognizing and rewarding student improvement. Using the Super Improver Wall, students earn stars as indications of personal improvement. Since stars are awarded on an individual level, each student is only competing against their last effort in a particular area. It's perfectly individualized and differentiated for the needs of each learner! Once students receive 10 Super Improver stars for the current "level" they are on, they move up to the next level on the wall. Each move in level comes with a positive behavior reinforcement reward such as extra dance time with the dance teachers, lunch with a school staff member of their choice, the student's picture presented in a certain spot in the classroom, and many more!