

*Elementary  
Edition!*



# CHAMPS

## Classroom Management

### Tip of the Week

#### M.B.W.A Management By Walking Around

Have you heard of the term “MBWA?” MBWA refers to a style of business management that involves managers walking around, in an unstructured manner, through the workplace to check with employees on the status of ongoing work. How can you use this effective strategy in your practice?

Many misbehaviors can be diffused just by being present! Use circulation and proximity strategies *consistently* to monitor student behavior and evaluate your classroom management plan.

1. Circulate the classroom in unpredictable patterns. Students should *expect* that you'll come visit their workspace.
2. Continually scan the classroom for participation.
3. Scan for opportunities to provide positive feedback. **A CHAMPS teacher walks to praise!** Have a physical presence at potential problem areas before asking students to transition.
4. Consider circulating with stickers, stamps, or a marker to provide feedback to students. One popular strategy is to use a sticky pad to jot notes of positive feedback and private reminders to students. Even a simple smiley face can go a long way!

Remember, what you pay attention to grows.

Be sure to incorporate positive feedback into your circulation habits.

