An example of operationalizing the School Age Guiding Principles

1. Physical and Psychological Safety

2. Appropriate Structure

The program encourages developmentally limit setting, clear and consistent rules and expectations, firm-enough control, continuity and predictability, clear boundaries and age appropriate monitoring.

3. Supportive Relationships
4. Opportunities to Belong
5. Positive Social Norms
6. Support for Efficacy and Mattering
7. Opportunities for Skill Building

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