"Be Coming A C.A.R.E. Bear" 2nd & 3rd Grade School Assembly

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Purpose of Pretty Healed & Handsomely Whole Tour

Welcome to the Pretty Healed & Handsomely Whole School Tour, where we believe in the power of knowledge, inspiration, and hope. We believe that every teacher, leader, and student deserve a supportive and nurturing educational environment. Designed specifically for schools, non-profits, youth groups, colleges, and universities, our program is dedicated to empowering young minds and equipping them with essential life skills. Join us on a transformative journey where we teach students how to manage their emotions, time, and responsibility, build good character, become avid readers and thinkers as well as socially emotionally equipped leaders. Get ready for this now and the next generation to unlock their full potential and create a positive impact in their homes and communities.



Meet The Visionary & Curator: Simene' Walden, The Student Teacher

Simene' Walden, also known as The Student Teacher, is an Educator, Speaker, Author, & Chief Operating Officer of Pretty Healed Enterprises, LLC. Simene' has been recognized as a distinguished educator for 18+ years providing an excellent education to students in underserved urban and rural communities in the discipline of English Language Arts. Simene' Walden is a 2024 Presidential Lifetime Achievement Recipient for the work she has done in education.

Simene' keynote presentations include Social Emotional Learning, Building Champion Readers & Leaders, Adverse Childhood Experiences, and Helping & Healing Our Youth In Crisis. Simene' helps to establish and maintain positive professional working relationships with school leaders, principals, assistant principals, colleagues, students, and families.

Her roles throughout her teacher tenure includes but not limited to Mentor Teacher, Team Leader, Department Chair, Textbook Coordinator, Academic Director, Testing Coordinator & School Improvement Team Member.

Simene' delivers dynamic, heart wrenching, and thought-provoking keynote presentations, workshops, professional developments, assemblies, and masterminds for small groups, whole groups, schools, organizations, churches, and individuals based on need and dynamics.







Engage Young Learners: Unveiling 2nd & 3rd Grade Student Traits

- Students in this age range like structured activities.
- Students in this age range are motivated to learn.
- Students in this age range produce a lot of work but not always quality work.
- Students in this age range need and want constant reassurance.
- Students in this age range rely on adults for help.
- Students in this age range need security, structure, and stability.
- Students in this age range are loyal to classroom teachers and they have to be prepared for substitutes.
- Students in this age range can be moody sometimes.
- Students in this age range are serious about schoolwork but don't like making mistakes.
- Students in this age range can get sick from worrying about tests.
- Students in this age range like to know the meaning of words.
- Students in this age range like to socialize and they absolutely like choices.
- Students in this age range like to work in groups.
- * Students in this age range like indoor and outdoor games like red light and green light.
- Students in this age range like to stand up.



Building Resilient Kids with Educators' Guidance at Bearfield Primary School

Frederick Douglas has been quoted for saying, "It's easier to build strong children than repair broken men". I add broken men or women. My entire premise for showing up to Bearfield was to help build strong children.

The vision of Bearfield was easily identified and spelled out on the school's website. I wanted to add to what was already in place and use what you already do to build on it.

The vision is very simple, clear, and concise.

Hand in hand...Together, we are making a difference.

The acronym for B.E.A.R.S. is also very simple, clear, and concise.

Be Responsible!

Expect the Best!

Always Prepared!

Respect Others!

Stay Safe!



Transforming Students into Confident & Cooperative C.A.R.E. Bears

C.A.R.E. was added onto what is already in place to present to students during the assembly which was titled "Be Coming C.A.R.E. Bears".

We are human beings so we become something rather than just doing something.

The C stands for **CONFIDENT** and **COOPERATE**.

Confident means to be self assured.

Confidence means the feeling or belief that one can rely on someone or something or to firmly trust.

Cooperate means to act or work with another or others.

Build student's confidence and let them know they will do well on their state test that is approaching.

Cooperation starts with each adult in the building and flows to the students cooperating while in school.



Empower The Mind: Transformative Affirmations for Students, Educators, & Parents

The A stands for ASK FOR HELP & AFFIRM YOURSELF.

Affirm means to state as a fact or assert strongly and publicly. I wanted students to affirm themselves publicly and strongly.

The word ask simply means to say something in order to obtain an answer or some information. However, students should keep in mind that when asking for help, they should ask politely and directly.

Help means assistance. So when students need assistance, do they know who to ask for help from and does the person actually help them?

Wise was a word I used with them and it means deep understanding, keen discernment, or the capacity for sound judgment.

The affirmations I had them repeat are listed below. Repeating these in the morning and at night before bed will help reprogram how they see themselves.

- * I am well favored.
- * I make wise decisions every single day.
- * I am skillful in wisdom.
- * I am understanding in my studies.
- I am full of knowledge.
- ❖ I am stronger than any struggle.
- ❖ I am smarter than any setback.
- * I am more courageous than any doubter or critic of me.
- * I am full of power and goodness.
- ❖ I will continue to grow.
- ❖ I will continue to learn.
- * I will become an even more amazing person every single day.
- ❖ I am a world changer, changing the world for the better.



Equipped to Excel: Achieving Success by Being Fully Prepared and Ready

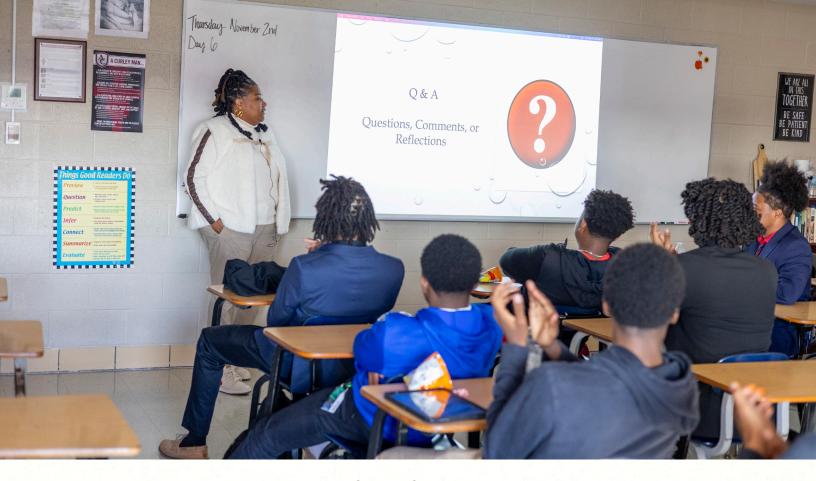
The R stands for **READY**.

Ready means to be fully prepared, easily available, or within reach.

When given what they need both at home and at school, students are fully prepared to meet expectations and exceed them. Success and achievement are within their reach.

Ready Affirmations

- * I am ready for any challenge that comes my way.
- * I am fully prepared.
- ❖ I am fully prepared for all the blessings and good surprises that come my way.
- * I am fully prepared.



Connecting with Students: Nurturing Empathy for Understanding Others' Feelings

The E stands for **EMPATHETIC**.

Empathetic means to show an ability to understand and share the feelings of another.

Students within this age range are very sensitive to other people's feelings.

Many of the students agreed that when they see other people sad, it makes them feel sad too.

Sharing about my brother's cancer journey was me showing the human side of myself and how I have to be empathetic in my own life.

A sweet 3rd grade came up to me when the assembly was over and told me her grandmother passed away from cancer. She was able to resonate with the story and as adults and teachers, we may not be in a student's situation but we can be empathetic to them.

While as educators we are empathetic, we still hold them to high expectations that are fair and equitable for all, but extend grace, patience, and love at all times.



Students' Worth Transcends School Status

A student's value is not determined by the status of a school.

Labels do not define our students. They are identifiers but they do determine who they are or who they will become.

A school labeled low performing does not mean everyone and everything connected to the school or attached to the school is a lower performer.

Low performance is an event that happens; it is not who you are as a person.

What matters is the value and excellency you bring to Bearfield each and every day and beyond.

The Bearfield CARE BEARS I spoke to are more than just 2nd graders or 3rd graders. They are someone's son, daughter, grandson, granddaughter, brother, sister, god son, god daughter, friend, helper, neighbor, blessing, inheritance, and legacy.

The students you teach today will leave a legacy behind. Legacy is defined as a long-lasting impact of particular events or actions that took place in the past or of a person's life.

What events and actions that take place within the learning and loving walls of Bearfield Elementary will impact those children as they grow, learn, and develop.

The students you teach and have access to during the academic school year are Bearfield Care Bears; Changing The World For Better!



Heartfelt Gratitude to Engaged Educators

I extend a heartfelt thank you to Principal Shields for allowing me to come and speak life to Bearfield Primary.

Thank you to each staff member who was in attendance and was attentive to the message.

I pray it resonates with you and you can apply it not only into your practice as an educator, but also into your life as a daughter, son, wife, husband, mother, father, friend, sister, brother, or any other role you may serve in from day to day.

God bless you all.

May God continue to bless the works of your hands, and may God continue to bless the entire Bearfield Primary School Community.

The edited video from my presentation can be found by clicking this <u>link</u>.

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