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at Success Academy

Building an Excellent Classroom Culture



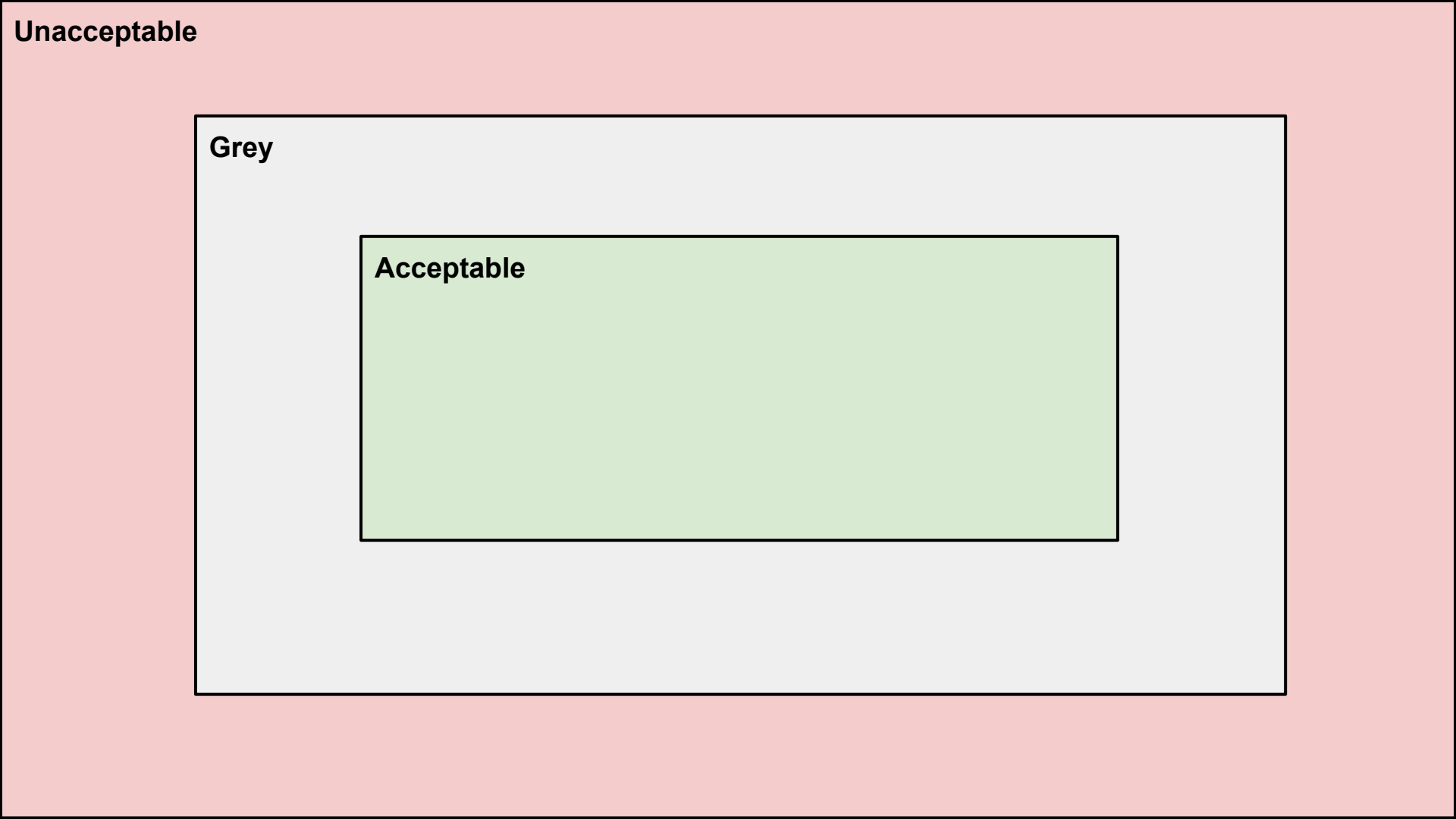
Gray Box Activity: How To!

- 1) List all of the student behaviors that occur during a problem time of day. This activity can be used for schoolwide systems – recess, hallway behavior, dismissal – or classroom routines – unpack, group work, independent reading, etc.
- 2) Place them in categories: **acceptable, unacceptable, or gray.**
- 3) By the end of the activity, all behaviors should be **moved out of the gray box and into either acceptable or unacceptable.**
- 4) The end result is that educators should have a clear understanding of expectations for students, then be able to relay them concisely and hold kids accountable accordingly.

Unacceptable

Grey

Acceptable



Unacceptable

Screaming as you enter the classroom

Running in the classroom

Cellphones (if we can see it or hear it - we can take it)

Using unkind words

Gray

Acceptable

Walking

Good morning to another student

Quietly raise their hands

Hand signaling to use restroom, leave classroom

first 5 minutes - check your email

Using kind words

Walk in quickly

Voice level of 0

Cell phones are kept in a bookbag, on silent

Seeing or hearing the cell phone

Running

Arriving and not putting homework away right away