

# THE ENNEAGRAM IN THE CLASSROOM

☆☆ Teachers & Parents - Thank You!

Hello, friend!

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Thanks for downloading this resource! I have found the enneagram to be an incredibly helpful tool from the classroom to the dinner table and beyond!

A word about typing kids... Typing kids is tricky, and isn't recommended by most enneagram teachers. The FIRST work is for us, their teachers and parents, to be aware of our own ways of seeing + being in the world, as well as our own blind spots. However, once you've learned about the enneagram, most teachers agree it can still be an important tool for clarity as we gently observe our kids/students. As they grow into their teen years and can more clearly articulate their inner worlds, of course type can become apparent.

But however you work with children and students, no matter what type they may be, the enneagram can help us better understand how they experience the world and why they do what they do. Knowing this, we can better meet their needs: academic as well as emotional and everything in between!

Below, you'll find 9 types - teacher tendencies + considerations, then 9 types as they might show up in our kids. I'd love to know if you recognize some of your students below, if you find this pdf helpful or how I can make it even better! I'd love to hear from you.

I am filled awe and admiration when I think of the dozens of teachers who've impacted my life, and the millions of teachers who, right now, are preparing for perhaps the most uncertain school year the world has ever known... Hugs and prayers and good health and sanity to you all!

*You are a national treasure! Thank you for your important work teaching & sharing the love.*

*-Nancy*

# BODY CENTERED LEADERS

## PROTECTIVE CHALLENGER

### • YOUR AMAZING IMPACT •

Your strength and power can be a great gift to your students and staff. When their rights to learn and work in health and freedom are compromised, you are quick to challenge the status quo. Your energy and stamina are especially needed in times like these.

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### • CONSIDER THIS •

As an experienced leader, you know that while certain times call for action, other times call for patience, grace, humility, or delegation. Listen well to others with differing viewpoints. Create space to care well for your own tender heart, too.

## PEACEFUL MEDIATOR

### • YOUR AMAZING IMPACT •

You have the fantastic gift of creating a warm, peaceful learning environment for your students. You can be very skilled at helping your students face and resolve conflicts. Your patient humility & peaceful strength inspires your students and colleagues.

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### • CONSIDER THIS •

Be mindful of times when you might be under stress and check in with yourself (or your students) when you would rather check out. Care for yourself and your body so that you can continue focusing on the important issues in your classroom.

## MORAL PERFECTIONIST

### • YOUR AMAZING IMPACT •

You can thoroughly envision the best-possible learning environments. You have an amazing commitment to excellence. You effectively create effective routine in the classroom. Your endless work to make things even better inspires those around you.

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### • CONSIDER THIS •

Be patient with processes that feel messy, give yourself grace and make notes of what DID go well as well as what you want to improve. You can maximize your "reformer" abilities as you kindly encourage your students to improve.

# STUDENTS – HEART TYPES & TENDENCIES

THE KID WHOSE FOCUS IS

“HOW CAN I HELP?”

PLEASE REMIND ME

- You are glad I'm here!
- It's ok to work on my own sometimes.
- To think about what I need, and ask for it.

MIGHT BE A

TYPE  
2

SUPPORTIVE  
ADVISOR

I NOTICE...

what my teacher prefers.  
I'll drop everything to help!  
I hope everyone likes me,  
especially my teacher

THE KID WHOSE FOCUS IS

“HOW CAN I WIN?”

PLEASE REMIND ME

- I'm welcome here even when I don't win or lead.
- It's ok (normal!) not to be the best at everything.
- Sometimes I need to slow down to do well (which is a win)!

MIGHT BE A

TYPE  
3

SUCCESSFUL  
ACHIEVER

I NOTICE...

that I'm pretty awesome at  
rising to challenges in the  
classroom, and my classmates  
often follow my lead.

THE KID WHOSE FOCUS IS

“WHEN CAN I CREATE?”

PLEASE REMIND ME

- You know I'm unique!
- You appreciate my creativity.
- Sometimes I might need to help chilling out as I work through my deep feelings.

MIGHT BE A

TYPE  
4

ROMANTIC  
INDIVIDUALIST

YOU'LL NOTICE...

that I make deep connections  
and find meaning in lots of  
things I'm learning. I love to  
create, and my heart is big!