



TKF TRAINING INSTITUTE FOR PEACE AND FORGIVENESS

The Tariq Khamisa Foundation (TKF) is an educational organization and training institute dedicated to creating safer schools and communities.

For more than three decades, TKF has trained educators, youth, and community leaders in restorative justice practices, forgiveness, and character-based education that build cultures of accountability, compassion, and respect.

Through its Training Institute, TKF provides curriculum, professional development, and implementation support that help schools and organizations embed restorative mindsets into their systems and everyday interactions.

Since its founding, TKF has reached more than two million people, empowering communities with practical tools for healing, responsibility, and lasting peace. Additionally, over 600,000 students have participated in TKF Safe School Model direct services.

Restorative Practices Evidence:

***Data on restorative justice/practices has proven it is a promising tool to:**

- Create and support positive school climate
- Increase connectedness
- Improve student problem-solving
- Enhance student/teacher relationships

***Multiple studies found when restorative practices is implemented in schools, it can positively impact campus safety and culture by:**

- Reducing disciplinary actions
- Decreasing misbehavior incidents
- Increasing school engagement



"Restorative practices can't just be a set of things we do. It has to be how we view teaching and learning."

- WestEd Justice & Prevention Research Center, "Restorative Justice in US Schools, An Updated Research Review" March 2019
- Center for Urban Education Success "Restorative Practices History Success, Challenges & Recommendations" June 2017
- International Institute For Restorative Practices, "Improving School Climate Findings from schools Implementing restorative practices", Lewis, 2009

TKF Training Institute Services

Two Day Restorative Workshop Facilitator Training

A two-day training that provides professionals with the tools and confidence to facilitate TKF's Restorative Workshop and its restorative principles. The training certifies participants to use the curriculum in working with youth.

Restorative Mindset

A three-hour training focused on shifting how we view and process youth behaviors and challenges. The workshop examines the importance of instilling hope, worthiness, and healthy social-emotional skills for our youth, especially those impacted by trauma and adversities. In-person training.

Restorative Circles

Restorative Circles give individuals an opportunity to have a voice and opinion about recent incidents, challenges, and conflicts that are impacting a school or community. The circle process allows the group to work together to problem solve and identify solutions for going forward.

Forgiveness and Healing

A two-hour training focused on understanding healing as an important step in restoring from harm, stress, and life challenges. Forgiveness is a personal healing journey rooted in restorative actions.

Parenting Workshop

A seven-session parenting workshop series focused on teaching parents how to utilize restorative principles in raising thriving children. Through the two-hour sessions Parents learn strategies on mindfulness, family bonds, strengths, and forgiveness to support their children's social-emotional development. In-person or online training.

Restorative Pathways: A Suspension Alternative

A six-week curriculum designed as an "In Lieu of Suspension" alternative, engaging students, parents, and educators in a structured process that promotes accountability, skill-building, and healing. Successfully implemented in schools in Texas and San Diego, the program provides a viable, restorative approach to addressing behavioral incidents while reducing reliance on exclusionary discipline practices.

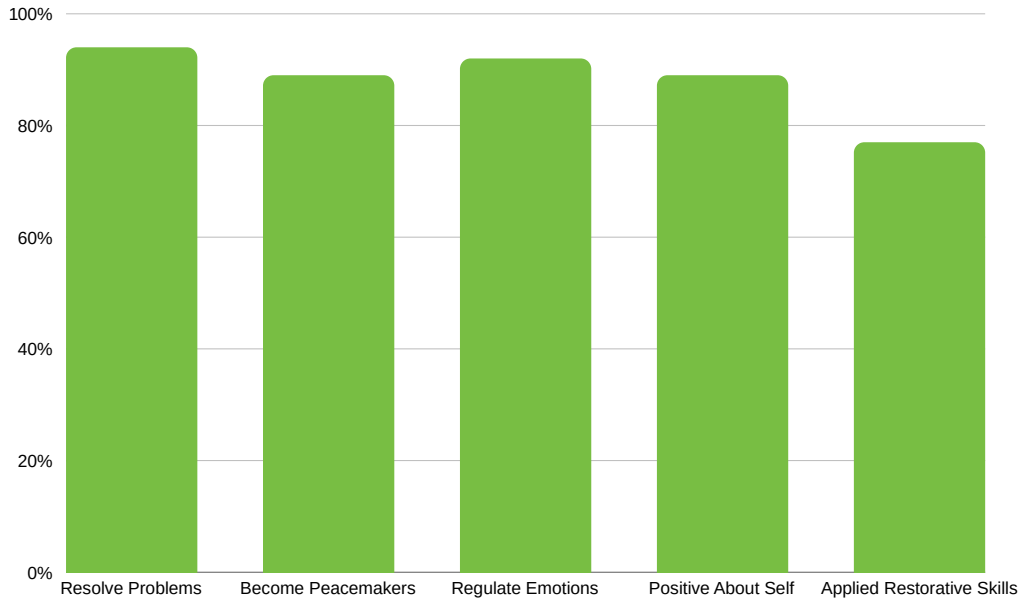
Peacemaker Assembly

The TKF Peacemaker Assembly tells the real-life TKF story about the consequences of violence and the positive real-life benefits of restorative practices. The Peacemaker Assembly utilizes presenters, video, and open discussion to process students through understanding the impacts of harm and the importance of accountability. Students often reflect their own personal stories, actions, behaviors, and emotions regarding these topics during this process.

If you are interested in a training or have questions, please email: info@tkf.org.

THE IMPACTS

THE RESTORATIVE WORKSHOP CURRICULUM



TKF 's Restorative Workshop has been successfully implemented with over 25,000 students.



"I learned about making amends
and the meaning of forgiveness."
-9th Grader



"I can see how having good boundaries
and self-awareness is important and
helpful for good relationships."
-9th Grader

TKF TRAININGS



"I cannot express how much the TKF
training has blessed me with opening a
deep understanding of forgiveness and
the power it has to change my life! I am
grateful to you and the foundation for
this insight!"
- TKF Training participant



"Implementing TKF's restorative
programming at our school is changing
our campus."
-Counselor, Newtown Elementary



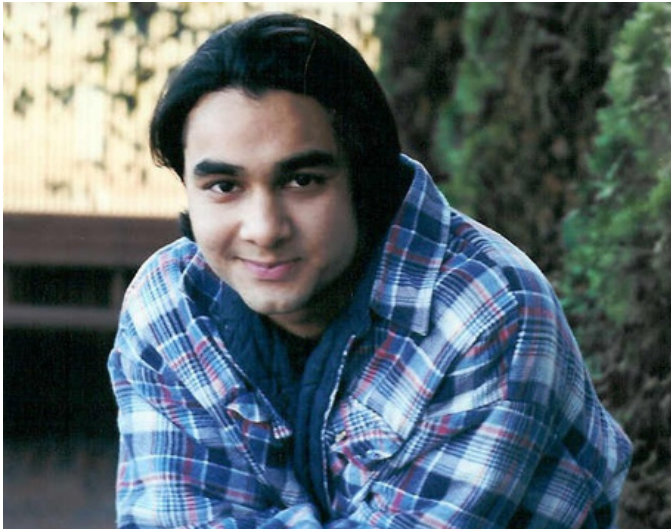
"Multiple people came to me today and
said it was the best Restorative Training that
we have done!"
- TKF Training participant

THE TKF STORY

TKF was founded in 1995 following the senseless murder of 20 year old Tariq Khamisa by 14 year old Tony Hicks. Recognizing victims on both ends of the gun, the families came together in the spirit of healing to launch TKF. In 2019, after serving 24 years in prison, Tony Hicks was released and now works with TKF as a Community Impact Facilitator, partnering with educators and students to show that transformation is not only possible—it can inspire change in entire communities.



Clockwise: Ples Felix, Tony Hicks, Azim Khamisa, Tasreen Khamisa



"Face the trial and tribulations of life and still walk with your head up. Failure is unavoidable, but you have to be able to move on and getting discouraged won't help at all."

– Tariq Khamisa



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