



SUMMER MATTERS

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[Surf's Up](#)

THINK- PAIR- SHARE



Why are you here?

A Summer Chant

- I don't know but I've been told (repeat)
- The Summer team's looking mighty bold (repeat)
- I don't know but it's been said (repeat)
- In summer camp my wings will spread (repeat)

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Team Challenge

Your Challenge:

- 1) Create a team name
- 2) Create a team chant

Your Parameters:

- 1) Reflect *Surf's Up* theme
- 2) Include movement
- 3) Complete in 3 min.



Our Group Agreements



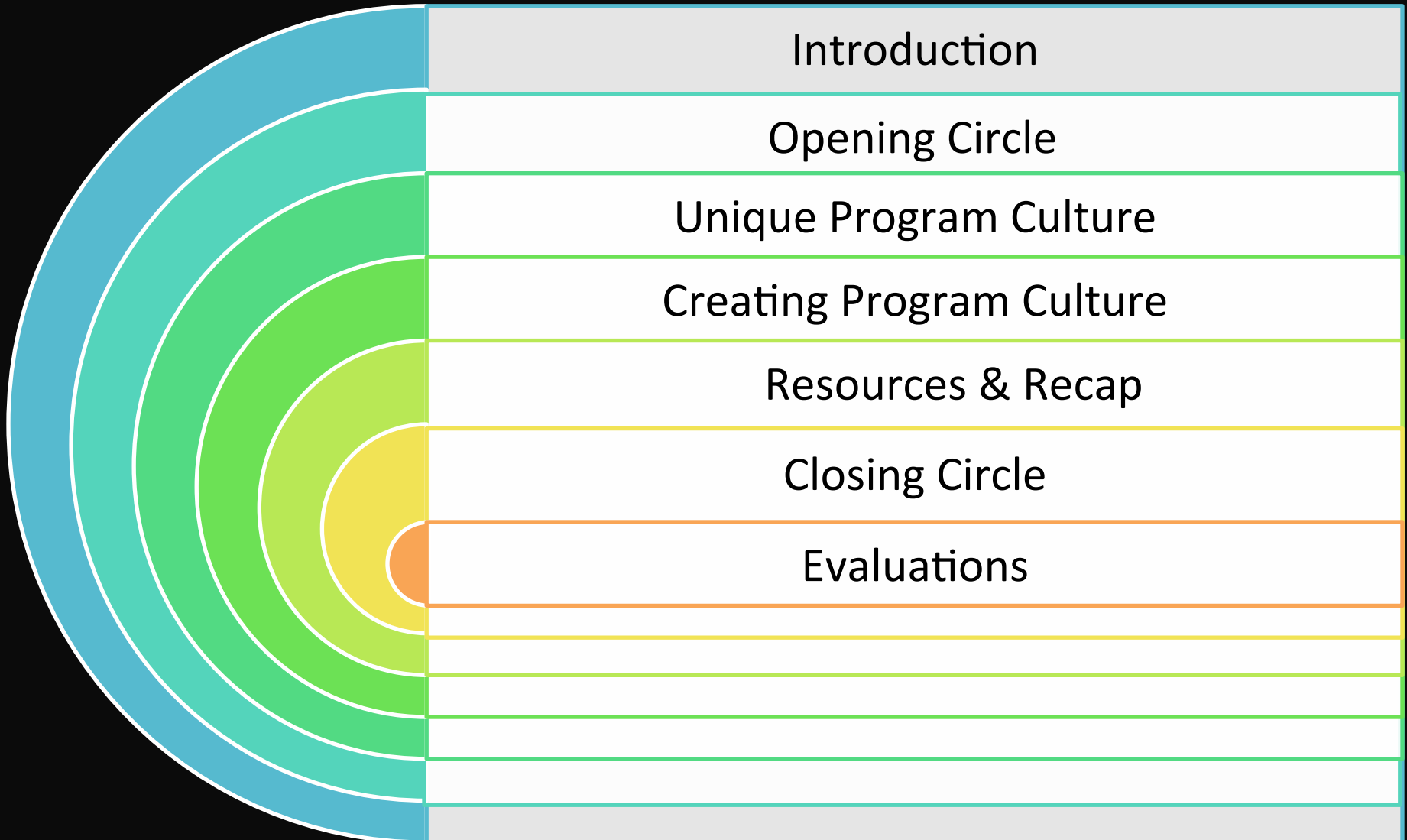
- Choose to be Present
- Share with and support each other
- Approach with spirit of quality improvement/ learning

Objectives

You will be able to:

- ❖ Identify a number of key elements that create a unique program culture.
- ❖ Apply key elements of a unique program culture to construct a high quality experience for participants.

Agenda at a Glance



Community Circles Build Culture



Circle Objectives:

- Build Community
- Establish norms, expectations
- Create shared experiences
- Have fun

Circle Elements today:

- Team Challenge
- Roll Call
- 411



Indicators of a Unique Program Culture



- ★ Program Spirit
- ★ Program Principles
- ★ Culminating Event
- ★ Physical Environment
- ★ Flexible Workspace
- ★ Transitions and Meals

Program Spirit

Creating a sense of community and pride

- Daily shared traditions
- Cheers
- Competitions
- Team designations
- Rewarding positive actions and attitudes



Program Principles

Setting culture through continuous communication



Key ideals, strengths,
and talents
describing students
and staff

Culminating Event



*A youth showcase work and skills
to invited guests*

Physical Environment

Promoting creative thinking, exploration, and novelty

- Adjusting the look and feel
- Linking spaces to theme
- Youth driven thematic décor



Flexible Workspace

Accommodating various learning styles



Transitions and Meals

Unstructured time



- Incorporate themes
- Provide entertainment

A Unique Program Culture



Teaching Kids How to Succeed in School

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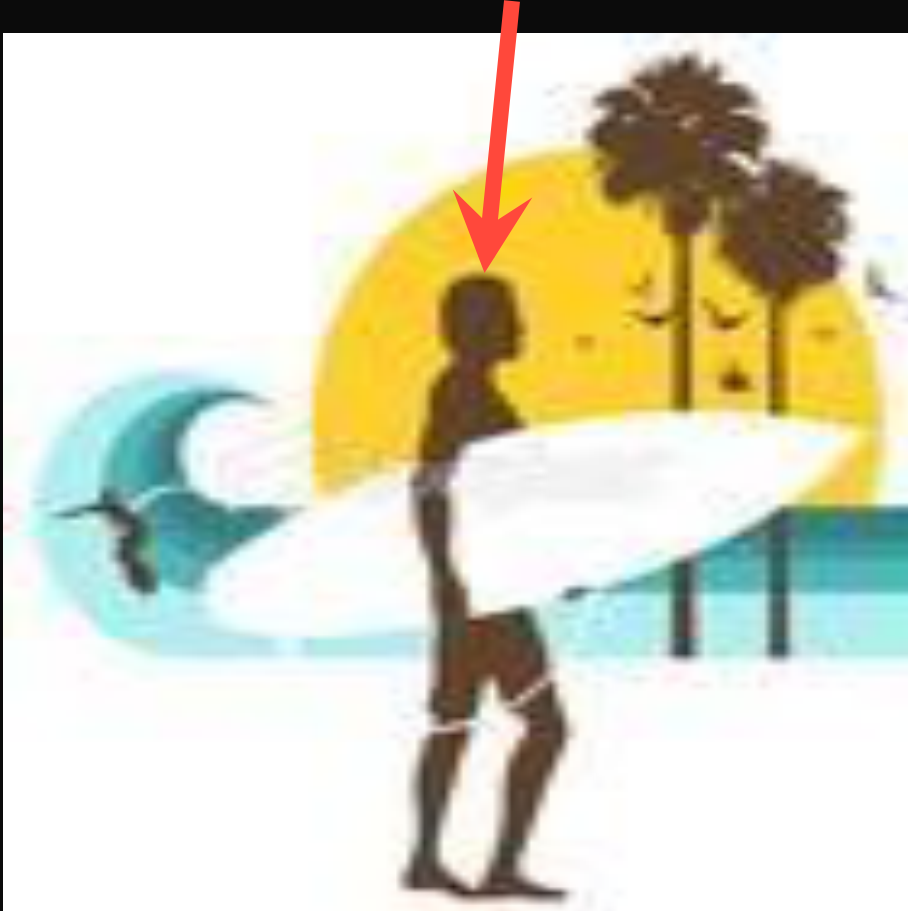
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Creating Unique Program Culture

YOU



- * Physical Environment
- * 1 Principle
- * 1 Song or Chant
- * Terminology & Symbols
- * 1-2 Traditions
- * Culminating Event

Recap

Culture = 6 elements from environment to behaviors

Culture = Belonging

Culture = INTENTIONAL



Reflection



What will you do for your program's UPC?

Resources



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THANK YOU!



**for making
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