To take the weight off your shoulders and give yourself time to support instruction and interact with students and staff, I highly recommend making use of the **Love & Logic** "9 Essential Skills" curriculum with staff. I've been an elementary school principal for 29 years and found when staff made use of these essential skills I had much more time to deal with the ever expanding administrative side of my job, teachers had the necessary skills to develop positive relationships with students, to teach, and, happily, students had more time to stay focused on their learning. The "9 Essential Skills" curriculum worked exceptionally well with new staff who needed to know what the rest of the staff was finding successful to increase their teaching time and reduce stress. Each year, seasoned staff enjoyed dipping back into specific skills to enhance their abilities as well as giving them additional options to deal with struggling students.

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