



## Health Care Foundation of New Jersey Evaluation of Playworks

In 2013, an external evaluator funded by the Health Care Foundation of New Jersey found considerable positive behavior change in training participants after only three days of Playworks training. It was the highest level of impact seen by that evaluator, given the amount of time invested. The trained youth workers expressed an overwhelmingly positive response and 100% articulated they are currently implementing some aspect of what they learned. The youth workers also stated they are seeing changes in student behavior, including increased use of conflict resolution tools (such as rock-paper-scissors), fewer injuries, and use of positive reinforcement behaviors (such as High Fives).

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