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"Until we understand how the brain learns, we are only shooting arrows in the sky and hoping to hit a target. After this workshop, the guess work is taken out." Carolyn Collins, Communication Arts Teacher, Grade 11

# **Brain-Friendly Teaching**



When we teach with traditional methods, it is like swimming against the current: teaching is more exhausting, students learn less, and students like class and the content less. When we align our teaching with how the brain best learns, we are going with the current. Students learn more, enjoy class more, and teaching is easier and more enjoyable. How do we align our teaching and training with how the brain best learns? It's easy with simple Kagan Structures. Learn

simple Kagan Structures that respect brain-based principles of learning. Create safety, nourish the brain, generate cooperative interaction, link learnings and emotion, and make content memorable by targeting the five independent memory systems. Teach smarter using powerful principles derived from brain science and proven strategies developed by Kagan.

## Participants Learn...

#### Learn the Latest in Brain Science

- Learn the latest in brain research; apply it to improving instruction
- View actual brain scans in action and see how your two-pound miracle actually processes information
- Discover five principles of brain-friendly instruction
- Understand key parts of the brain and brain functions

#### **Apply Kagan Structures for Success**

- Experience the newest Kagan Structures
- Elect from a variety of brain-based strategies
- Spice up your existing lessons with proven, engaging Kagan Structures
- · Leave with clear, step-by-step instructions
- "Walk the talk; live the results"

#### **Nourish the Brain**

- Implement Kagan Structures to increase oxygen and glucose to the brain
- Energize any lesson with Kagan's quick Silly Sports & Goofy Games
- Use classbuilders to increase blood flow to the brain while creating a supportive classroom community
- Explore different strategies for nourishing the brain

#### **Available Formats**

- 1 or 2-day workshop
- Week-long institute

#### **Maximize Learning**

- Create security and interest by balancing predictability and novelty
- Increase the quantity and quality of feedback
- Revolutionize your class; teach the way the brain best learns
- Transform the way you teach, the way you think about teaching, and the way you see your students and yourself
- Target the brain's five memory systems
- Establish strategies for making material meaningful

#### **Engage Emotions**

- Understand the role of emotions in increasing attention and memory
- Engage natural memory systems and avoid brain-unfriendly memory systems
- Understand and meet students' emotional needs

#### **Structure for Security**

- Establish an environment absent of threat
- Change brain chemistry by how you teach
- Learn simple structures to create brain-friendly security
- Create safety through social support—in every lesson

#### **Utilize Social Interaction**

- Know the research on social interaction and learning
- Structure interaction to maximize achievement
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- Create a motivating learning environment

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