Psychology of Success – Exploring the concept from its most basic to its most applied. Spiritual to Psychological to Practical Personal to Practical Applied from transformative classroom.com by John Shindler

	Spiritual Principles	Psychological Principles	Personal Application	Classroom Application
Internal Locus of Control	We are Gods and Goddesses in Embryo Life is orderly, and always for us Law of Karma and Cause and Effect	Life is in our hands We are the authors of our fate There is cause and effect in the world, and the first cause is our attitude We are responsible for own success or failure	I move through the day feeling responsible for how things go and my level of happiness. I am the kind of teacher who holds the belief that their student's welfare depends mostly on things they can control. I look for a way to help my students grow.	Promote a clear and consistent cause and effect world in the class — actions have consequences positive and negative. Encourage increasing levels of freedom and wise choices. Promote student ownership and voice. Create clear learning goals and assessment outcomes that students can attain with full application.
External LOC	We are victims There are random unfriendly forces in the universe that work against us Our fates are predestined by God	External events are the cause of what happens to us. Life is an accident It is someone else's fault Things just happen You just can't get ahead	I experience and underlying feeling that there is little I can do to improve things. I see mostly evidence that no matter what I do, not much gets better. Parents, the system, and kids are too much to overcome.	Create vague and shifting rules and be inconsistent in applying them. Be autocratic and ignore students need for power. Compare students to one another on variables over which they have no control.
Acceptance and Belonging	We are one with everything All of us are part of the one life (one life – one body) Unconditional love is the true nature of things. Acceptance allows the flow of all good things.	We are unique and great the way we are. We have unique and valuable gifts to share. We are part of a supportive collective. Others appreciate us and are interested in helping us thrive.	When it comes down to it, I like and respect myself. I have others that I actually like and respect too. I feel like at least some people are supportive of me and what I am trying to do. I feel like the school team has its heart in the right place even if it is not perfect.	Create an emotionally safe class defined by intolerance for putdowns and abuse. Encourage students to work together and support one another toward personal and collective growth. Focus on strengths of each student and the idea that there are different gifts. Find ways for the class to win together.

Alienation and	We are separate	We see mostly our	I am not sure that I am doing	Create a competitive class where
Inadequacy	We are in a constant struggle with others for	inadequacies and perceived weaknesses.	very well, and I spend a lot of time feeling defensive. When I	students struggle against one another for recognition, grades,
	scarce resources	We feel separate from the	walk into a room, I wonder	and approval. Define ability in a
	The world is an unforgiving	group and not appreciated.	what others are thinking and I	single way. Grade only what you
	place and God is rarely	We do not feel able to trust	suspect that they say negative	can count. Make it about you and
	approving of our behavior	others and do not perceive	things about me when I am	demand obedience as you ignore
	and strains to find reasons	the world as a supportive	not around.	student-student mistreatment.
	to love us.	place.		
Growth	Law of pure potential	We accurately perceive that if	I feel pretty free and trusting	Value the process over the product.
Orientation	Law of attraction	we apply ourselves we	of myself to take risks and try	Encourage a system of self-
Orientation	Law of giving	improve in anything we	things. I am not too worried if	reflection and feedback. Encourage
	Everything is working	attempt.	things don't go perfectly. In	a climate where it is ok to make
	together for our good.	We trust the process to get us	my class we are free to make	mistakes and good to take risks.
	We are expressions of the	results. We focus on growth	mistakes and I include myself	Focus on growth and learning and
	creative impulse of the	and the journey and not so	in that. I see my growth as a	not on relative attainment. Project
	universe.	much temporary relative	teacher and follow my vision	high expectations for all students,
		abilities. We use mistakes as	of getting more effective all	especially in the area of investment
		opportunities to learn and	the time.	and quality of effort level.
		grow.		
Fixed Ability	Lack is my nature	We inaccurately perceive our	I see that I have some gifts in	Value just the final product. Focus
Orientation	Who would I be without	abilities as a fixed quantity. So	this job, but I know that other	on who is good at this or that, and
	my fears, excuses, and	we do not see the need to	teachers are much more	compare student's work and
	story of me?	persist if things do not go well	gifted in some areas, and so I	aptitude. Use destructive criticism
	I will have to wait for	initially. We eventually learn	stick to what I am good at.	or subtle judgment for mistakes.
	another lifetime and a	to fear failure and are crushed	When things don't go well in a	Encourage and/or allow students to
	better deal, this one is not	by mistakes and unfavorable	day, I feel crummy and stupid,	connect their grades to their self-
	what I ordered.	comparison.	and a part of me just wants to	worth. Promote a fear of failure
		Same #&@t new day.	quit and do something that is	motivational mindset.
			less brutal to my ego.	

	Student-Centered	Teacher-Centered
Functional	1- Style Trust in universe – expressed as trust in students and in self Progressively feel and act into a sense of connectedness Order is nature of things – so the goal is to discover that order	2-Style Fear of loss – expressed as need to control Conditional acceptance and use of the fear of loss as a tool Attempt to maintain the appearance of order with external manipulators
Dysfunctional	3-Style Fear of conflict projected outward as passiveness Lack of self-love projected out as need to enable others Chaos as fulfillment of an unconscious victim mindset	4-Style Fear of pain projected outward as hostility Lack of self-acceptance projected outward as comparisons Domination as compensation for a lack of trust in the universe