EXAMPLE: Classroom Decisions Flowchart

Rather than a static ladder of consequences, Ground Work teams should design a flowchart to guide teachers. This flow-chart supports decision-making but empowers teachers to use their professional judgement and understanding of the circumstances to select a response. An example of a flowchart is illustrated below:

Is the behavior minor or major?	
Minor	Major
Proceed to next question	Follow procedures for escalated or crisis behavior
Is the behavior disrupting instruction for students?	
No 80% of class is on-task	Yes 20% or more off-task
Address behavior without breaking the flow of instruction. Options:	Assign the rest of the class a task and address the behavior in a private manner. Options:
 Factual Statements Proximity Non-Verbal Cues Praising Peers 	 Response Cost Private Conversations Take a Redo Speak and Spin
Did behavior improve?	
No	Yes
Reteach to the skill or performance gap or Try a different response for Non-disruptive or Disruptive behavior.	Provide immediate specific acknowledgment for the desired behavior
Did behavior improve?	
No	Yes
Repeat options above or Proceed to the next question	Provide immediate specific acknowledgment for the desired behavior
Is persistent behavior a group or individual issue?	
Class-wide/Group Indicates need for group instruction.	Individual Indicates need for individual instruction
 Teach a lesson to address the concern. Seek support from a teacher mentor or instructional coach. Reconsider classroom environmental factors such as routines that may support students in following the core values. 	 Problem-solve with team and parents. Refer student for consideration for intervention support. If applicable, review student's safety plan, FBA/BIP/IEP. Seek support from case manager, etc.