



Restorative Practices Training Overview

As an independent contractor and licensed trainer of *Restorative Practices*, I can attest to the value of building, maintaining, and restoring communities when harm occurs.

I appreciate your interest in *Restorative Practices* training and look forward to connecting with you. I can be reached at **darrinwoods.iirp@gmail.com** if you have questions.

What is Restorative Practices?

Restorative Practices is the science of building and maintaining relationships and community while also restoring them when harm occurs.

What Does Restorative Practices Training Involve?¹

- *Restorative Practices* is a two-day workshop--Day 1: *Introduction to Restorative Practices* and Day 2: *Using Circles Effectively*. Although a two consecutive day format is optimal, this may not be feasible so scheduling is flexible.
- Each day's training lasts 8 hours from 8:30 a.m-4:30 p.m. (including lunch)
- From day one, you will learn a range of strategies you can use every day. You will learn how to set high expectations while being supportive. You will practice how to provide direct feedback and how to ask questions that foster accountability. You will also learn the most effective methods to resolve common conflicts.
- We devote the second day entirely to teaching attendees to facilitate restorative circles. Circles are an essential process for building social capital, resolving social problems and responding when harm occurs. Circles create a positive learning environment. You will learn by participating in circles with other attendees, taking turns to learn how to facilitate. By the end of the day, you will be prepared to return to your setting and run your first circle!

How Much Does Restorative Practices Training Cost?

Restorative Practices training costs are based on lunch (provided by your school or organization), IIRPs current prices for participants' handbooks, and trainer fees commensurate with group size. My training proposal will provide itemized costs.

¹ Adapted from www.iirp.edu