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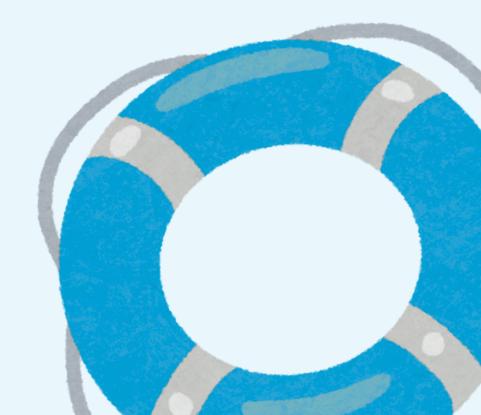
STAFF JOY WALL

What's saving your life right now?

Create a visual wall of well-being filled with your team's go-to joys, tiny wins, and favorite resets.

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Purpose Statement:

This activity is designed to spark connection, celebrate joy, and remind us that small things—like a good book, a great walk, or a hilarious show—can make a big difference in our overall well-being. This wall invites us to share what's lifting us up—and maybe discover something new to love.

When to Use It:

Use this when your team could use a little lift—a moment of connection, a spark of joy, or a reminder that we're in this together.

KEY BENEFITS

Breaks down barriers by encouraging open, lighthearted sharing

Builds connection in just a few minutes through shared favorites and personal moments

Creates space for real moments and shared stories that bring people closer together

Inspires staff with new ideas, recommendations, and reminders to care for their well-being—body, mind, and spirit

ACTIVITY DIRECTIONS

Step 1: Pick Your Prompts

Choose the headings or categories that will resonate most with your team (e.g., "What's Saving My Life Right Now," "Current Obsessions," "Feel-Good Favorites"). Print and prep them for your display.

Step 2: Set Up the Space

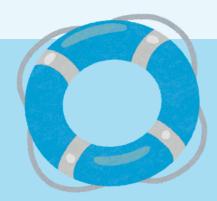
Hang chart paper, posters, or giant sticky notes—one for each category—on a bulletin board, hallway wall, or lounge space where staff can easily stop by and contribute.

Step 3: Add Your Style

Keep it simple or go all out! Add borders, die-cuts, school colors, or other fun touches to make your wall inviting and joyful.

Step 4: Invite Staff to Join In

Send a quick email introducing the activity and sharing how they can participate. A sample email is included on the next page to make it easy!



This joyful wall invites your team to share the little things getting them through one feel-good favorite at a time.

EXAMPLE EMAIL SCRIPT

Subject: What's Saving Your Life Right Now?

Hi team!

We're kicking off something simple and joyful in the building—a wall of favorites called What's Saving Your Life Right Now? It's a space where we can share the little (or big!) things that are keeping us going—books, podcasts, shows, weekend hikes, iced lattes, you name it.

Here's how to join in:

Stop by the display [insert location—e.g., in the staff lounge] and add your favorites to the posters. There's no pressure to be profound—just share what's bringing you energy, calm, laughter, or joy. We'll keep adding to the wall all month long!



ACTIVITY VARIATION

Try this at a staff meeting!

Print the headings and tape them up with poster paper around the room. Give staff 5–10 minutes to walk around, jot down their responses, and chat in small groups about what they shared. It's a quick, joyful way to spark connection and conversation!

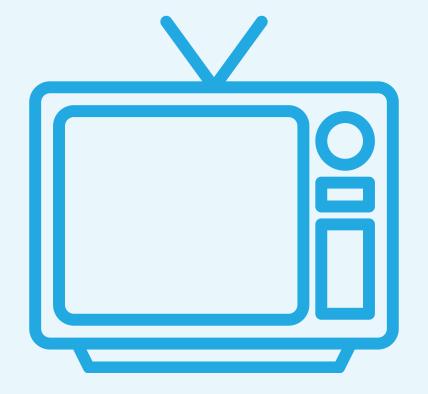


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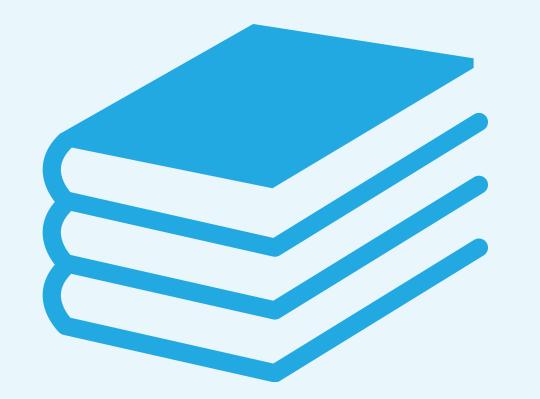
Podcasts I am listening to



Shows I am watching



Books I am reading



My go-to weekend plans



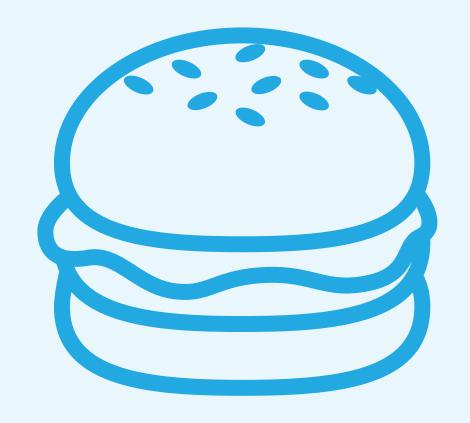
My favorite day trip



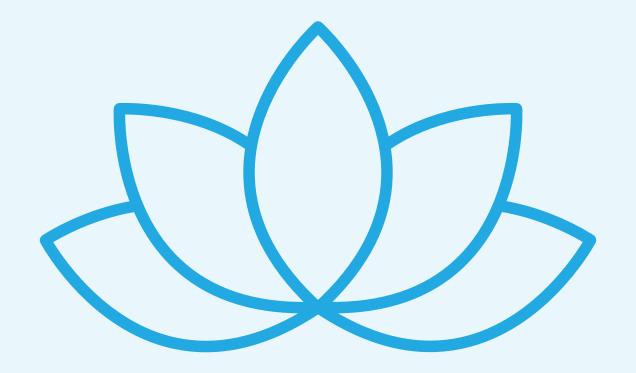
My go-to lunch



Favorite local restaurant



Favorite way to relax



Something you love about our team



A quote that inspires you



A recent little win



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