



Notes from the BOOST presentation
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Youth Development 2.0: Using the Latest Trends and Technologies to Foster Positive Outcomes for Older Youth

What is it like to be a kid in an OST program?

- ◆ Young kids are high energy and mostly concerned with themselves, early adolescence means a much greater awareness of how others view them (most go back and forth)
- ◆ We ALL need to be accepted

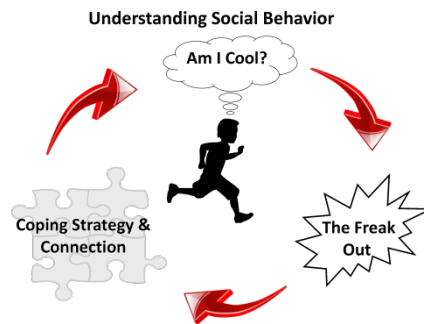
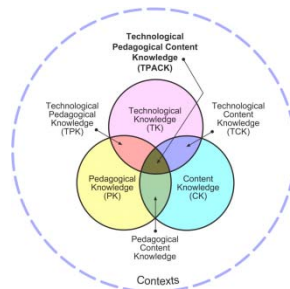


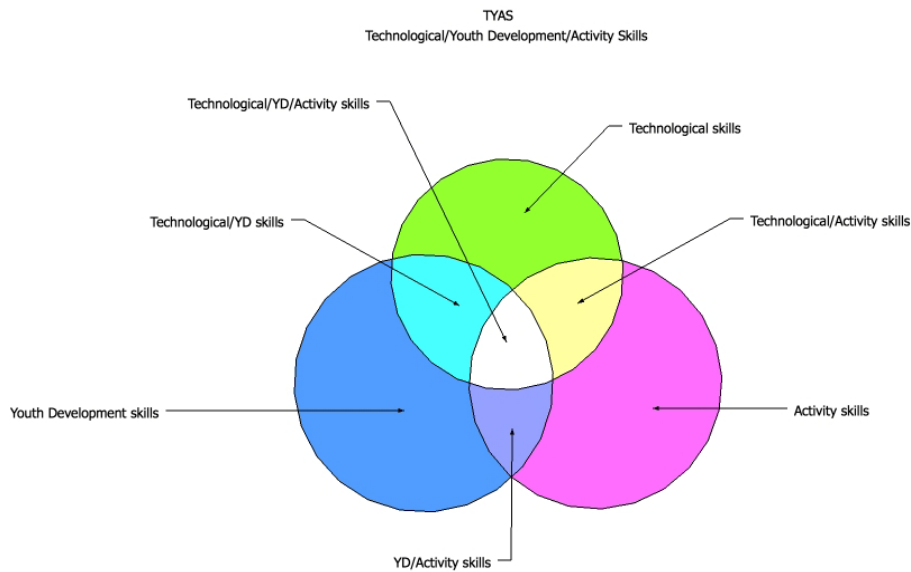
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How can we think about using technology in OST?

- ◆ TPACK (<http://tpack.org/>) reconceived



◆ As... TYAS (Technological/Youth Development/Activity Skills)



What is Positive Youth Development?

- ◆ PYD is a fundamentally different way of thinking about and working with youth.
- ◆ It is treating youth as resources and not potential problems
- ◆ It is the basis for how you think about and work with young people
- ◆ It is understanding that a lack of problem behavior is not the same as the presence of positive personal feelings, skills, and beliefs

How do you use PYD to *actually get youth engaged*?

- ◆ **It's all about relationships!** how you listen, how you show you care, and how available you are
- ◆ Recognizing and capitalizing on **teachable moments**
- ◆ You have to be **intentional** in everyday planning and interactions

Remember, it's not about using (or not using) technology for it's own sake it's about using technology to enhance positive YD outcomes!