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Behaviors both in my classroom along with in my own children's classroom is out of control and creates a tough classroom situation for all. My own children feel unease and anxiety often associated with witnessing this behavior. I, as a teacher, feel this plus the need to protect other kids in my class both physically and emotionally. Getting through planned lessons is often diverted due to behaviors forcing us to fall further behind. Teachers now need to be trained in so much more than just teaching. We are teachers, nurses, counselor's. On another note the expectations to succeed with all and teach at the expected pace and more and more difficult. This is due to behaviors that divert plans, but also due to lack of time to prep , plan. We also lack staffing to fully support each and every student with special needs. Most get support but I fear it's not enough and some don't get any at all. Our large classrooms make this even more difficult.