

How to Handle a Difficult or Defiant FIRE Student

- Repeat your original request
 - Give student a chance to respond and get started
- Move student away from distractions or vice versa
 - Seat student at a quiet table, alone
 - Ask noisier groups to move away or quiet down
- Sit down with the student as they get started
 - Reinforces your authority
 - Makes them aware of your serious intent
- Insist upon student starting activity
 - Do not give them a chance to argue
 - Do not give them a chance to debate
- Involve your FIRE class teacher if needed
 - Sometimes adult authority is needed to change behavior
 - Reinforces your own authority as being backed by teacher