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(Imagine That! Fiore — airs Sunday, March 5, at 9 p.m. on KUFM/KGRP and Monday, March 6, at 7:33 a.m. on KEMC 6:28 p.m. on KGLT)

MISSOULA --

Children who have an attention disorder and misbehave in the classroom need positive reinforcement for appropriate behavior, not criticism when they’re disruptive, a University of Montana - Missoula psychologist says.

UM clinical psychologist Christine Fiore discusses methods for helping children who have Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder on Imagine That!, Sunday, March 5, at 9 p.m., immediately following the St. Louis Symphony.

“We set up a system to recognize these children for what they do right and not what they do wrong,” Fiore says.

Fiore joined UM’s psychology department in 1992. She earned doctoral and master’s degrees in clinical psychology from the University of Rhode Island and a bachelor’s degree in psychology from California State University, Fullerton.

Imagine That! is produced as a joint venture between The University of Montana - Missoula and Montana State University - Bozeman. This week’s segment also airs Monday, March 6, at 7:33 a.m. on KEMC and 6:28 p.m. on KGLT. For more information, call Lilly Tuholske, University Communications research news editor, (406) 243-2522, or Annette Trinity-Stevens, MSU VP for Research Office, (406) 994-5607.

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