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Heyworth High School, Heyworth, IL – Fall Fest Activities included pumpkin painting, scavenger hunt, bracelet making, kickball, tug o' war, Minute to Win It, and a cookout!! http://www.pbisillinois.org/schools/high-schools/hs-examples-resources



PBIS Training at ASU

On January 24th, participants from 5 schools attended Universal Booster Training. We were excited to welcome two new schools as they prepare to implement PBIS: Newport Elementary and Harrisburg Elementary.

In an effort to spend more time on individual topics, CCE is holding monthly ½ day workshops. Our December session was on Staff Involvement, and our most recent workshop was on Effective Teams, Action Planning, and Evaluation. On March 26th, we'll talk about **low and no cost incentives and family involvement,** and on April 25th, we'll host a **Tier 2 readiness** workshop.

The always popular **year end day of sharing** and planning will be on April 26th! We hope to see you there!

In June, we are planning to have **Tier 2 Team Training** as well as **Universal Coaches & Team Training**. Details will be on our website very soon!

For details and to register for upcoming training events, check out our calendar at <u>http://cce.astate.edu/pbis/calendar</u>.

Celebrations – Middle School Example

Byron Middle School, Byron, IL

In recognition of their good behavior and positive attitude, students were treated to a taste testing in the cafeteria, where they chose some new items for their menu; designed holiday postcards for our overseas troops; and played Minute to Win It!!

http://www.byron226.org/education/components/album/default.php?sectiondetailid=4558&



Wraparound is Coming to Schools: What is it?

When a student has severe emotional or behavioral problems, to the point that he or she is at risk of out of school placement, a process called Wraparound can bring together a team of family, school, and community members to plan individualized supports, services, and interventions that address the needs of the student (social, emotional, behavioral, and educational). Wraparound is both a focus of Tier 3 in PBIS and the new approach taken in mental health services in the State of Arkansas for the children most at risk for out of home placement (and is recommended by the national Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration).

After fully implementing PBIS, schools will have the problem-solving and data-based decision making tools to provide the appropriate continuum of increasingly intensive interventions and supports for wraparound. When Congress amended IDEA in both 1997 and 2004, they recognized the potential of PBIS to improve educational results. *Not only do they encourage PBIS, they authorize states to use Professional Development funds and provide for grant funds to be used in training school staff in PBIS.*

If you would like to learn more about Wraparound or you are interested in Wraparound training for your school, please let us know! You also can read about wraparound and PBIS at <u>http://www.pbis.org/school/tertiary_level/wraparound.aspx</u>.

'Growing Pains' of Implementation

The prospect of implementing PBIS to improve the climate of your school and change behavior can be very exciting, with lots of enthusiasm and new ideas! And, although the PBIS framework is simple in concept, laying the foundation will take some work. Here are some things to keep in mind as you hit the road bumps in the implementation process:

- **PBIS is a problem-solving process.** By implementing PBIS you'll gain the tools and skills to tackle problems as they come along. Thus, some of the 'up-front' work will help you deal with future issues in your school.
- There's a trade off!! Although it may seem like there is extra work at first, you'll start to see a reduction in time spent on disciplinary actions.
- **Change takes time!** Don't expect everything to fall into place the first year.
- Look for people who can help. Are there parents or students that want to contribute? Is there someone in the school who likes working with data, or someone that is good at writing lesson plans?
- **Test the waters!** Giving staff and students surveys periodically will not only give you an idea of how you're doing, but will give everyone in the school a chance to be a part of the process.
- A picture is worth a thousand words. Share your data graphs with the school, district, & parents. The quickest way to gain 'buy-in' is to show how well it works.
- Increase the feeling of connectedness!! Celebrate successes and simultaneously challenge the staff and students!
- **Don't be afraid to ask for help.** We at the CCE are here to support you in any way that we can. ⁽²⁾ Just ask!

Spotlight on Evaluation

The **Team Implementation Checklist (TIC)** is a great tool for coaches and teams to use to monitor the progress of PBIS implementation throughout the school year. By going through the checklist each quarter, teams can focus on specific items that need work and develop a plan and timeline for addressing them.

If you would like help using this instrument, or would like to do this assessment online, just call or email us! We can help you get started, and set up a date for your team to do the assessment online. The GREAT thing is that PBIS Assessments does the rest! You can see the results of your assessment right away, find the areas that need the most attention, create an action plan, and get going!!!

How the Center for Community Engagement Can Help Your School:

- > PBIS Training and Workshops
- SWIS Training and Facilitation
- Program Development & Grant Writing (e.g., STEM initiatives, Behavioral and Character initiatives)
- Evaluation of Grants and Projects (including developing tests, surveys, observations, and other instruments)
- Data Gathering, Analysis, and Reporting
- Training and Technical Assistance (including Professional Development)
- See below for contact information.

Who Do I Contact for More Information?

The Center for Community Engagement (CCE) at Arkansas State University is a **PBIS Resource Center** for Arkansas. Whether you want general information about PBIS or you are ready to get started, give us a call at **870-972-2287**, email us at <u>cce@astate.edu</u>, or visit us on the web at

http://cce.astate.edu/pbis.

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Tier 2 Resources Available

The CCE has copies of the book <u>Responding to Problem</u> <u>Behavior in Schools: The Behavior Education Plan (2nd Ed.)</u> and the DVD <u>The Behavior Education Program: A Check-In</u> <u>Check-Out Intervention for Students at Risk.</u> Please contact us if you would like to borrow a copy of either item.

Upcoming Events

- March 26, 2013 ½ day training: Low or No Cost Ideas; Family Involvement
- April 25, 2013 ½ day training: Preparing for Tier 2
- April 26, 2013 Team Planning/Sharing Day
- June 18-19, 2013 Tier 2 Team Training
- June 2013 (dates TBA) Universal Coaches and Team Training

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