

Outline & Resources

Session 1: Spring 2023 Whole School Engagement Strategies for Reducing Student Absenteeism Wednesday, January 18, 2023

This is an outline of the resources found in the presentation slides.

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3-5	Series Overview, Learning Goals, Icebreaker
6-16	<p>Overview of Chronic Absence</p> <p>-----</p> <p>Additional Resources about Chronic Absence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Summary of Key Research• Key Concepts for Leveraging Chronic Absence During the Coronavirus Pandemic• Monitoring Attendance in Distance Learning (additional attendance measures)• Expanded Attendance Metrics• Truancy vs. Chronic Absence• McKinsey: COVID-19 and education: An emerging K-shaped recovery• EdSight (Connecticut State Dept. of Educ.)

17-29	<p>The Key to Improving Attendance is a Tiered Approach</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 3 Tiers of Intervention ● Research brief: Using Chronic Absence Data to Improve Conditions for Learning ● Video: What promotes positive conditions for learning?
30	<p>Small Group Discussion <i>(6-7 people per group)</i></p> <p>About your school:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● What concerns are you hearing from students, families and staff about health and safety? ● In what ways are you responding to these concerns?
31	<p>Report Out</p> <p>What is a strategy you've heard about today that you'd like to strengthen or adopt?</p>
32-36	<p>Relationships are Essential at Every Level of Intervention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● How to Guide Relationship Mapping ● 2x10 Relationship Strategy Bank ● Edutopia: Starting Each Class With a Warm Welcome ● Edutopia: Making Connections With Greetings at the Door ● Edutopia – Relationship Building From Day 1 ● Mood Meter ● Zones of Regulation ● National Partnership for Student Success ● Examples of Tiered Practices ● Making Connections With Greetings at the Door ● Example of relational home visits: Parent Teacher Home Visits ● Example of mentoring: MENTOR and virtual mentor portals, Peer Group Connections, Success Mentor ● Pathways to Engagement: A Toolkit for Covid-19 Recovery Through Attendance

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● America’s Promise – resources to work with teens ● Attendance Playbook and Implementation Guide
37-48	<p>Strategies and Tools to Communicate About Attendance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Showing Up Matters for R.E.A.L. ● Flesch-Kincaid readability test ● Handouts for Families ● AW blog: Writing truancy notices that can improve attendance ● Using Behavioral Insights to Improve School Administrative Communications: The Case of Truancy Notifications ● Communications Tips ● Strategies for Connecting with Students & Families ● Year-long Planning Calendar ● Principal Welcome Back to School Letter ● Chronic Absence letter Updated for Covid-19 ● Stay the Course - Winter Messaging toolkit ● Holiday Messaging ● How to Text Message Parents to Reduce Chronic Absence Using an Evidence-Based Approach ● Student Attendance Success Plan ● Sign up for the 2023 Attendance Awareness Campaign ●
49	Q&A
50-51	<p>Review of Learning Goals & Class Evaluation</p> <p>Evaluation Survey</p> <p>https://app.upmetrics.com/data_collector/ckf2oltbqlt8k0759tfdbfybj</p>

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54-59	Appendix <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Showing Up Matter for REAL toolkit● Updated District & School Attendance Tracking Tools● Student Attendance Success Plans (updated calendar for Sy 2022-23)● Attendance Playbook and Implementation Guide