Outline & Resources

Session #1: Fall 2023
Whole School Engagement Strategies for Reducing Student Absenteeism

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

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1-2	**Welcome, Tech Support & Introduction of Speakers**
3-7	**Series Overview, Learning Goals, Icebreaker**
8-21	**Overview of Chronic Absence** ----------------- **Additional Resources about Chronic Absence** ● Summary of Key Research ● Truancy vs. Chronic Absence ● PACE report: Disparities in Unexcused Absences Across California Schools

22-33	**The Key to Improving Attendance is a Tiered Approach**
	● 3 Tiers of Intervention
	● Research brief: Using Chronic Absence Data to Improve Conditions for Learning
	● Video: What promotes positive conditions for learning?
	● Strategies to address school & community safety
	    ○ SEL - 3 Signature Practices Playbook (from CASEL)
	● Resources to address school & community safety
	    ○ The Walking School Bus: Combining Safety, Fun and the Walk to School
	    ○ National Child Traumatic Stress Network
	    ○ National Association of School Psychologists
	    ○ Making caring common project: Relationship Mapping Strategy

	○ Collaborative for Academic and Social Emotional Learning (CASEL) ○ The SEARCH Institute ○ Building Assets, Reducing Risk (BARR) ○ National Center on Safe Supportive Learning Environments ○ ROCA
34	**Small Group Discussion**
35	**Report Out**
36-40	**Relationships are Essential at Every Level of Intervention** ● Video: Making a Habit of Warm Welcomes in the Classroom ● 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 (for elementary) ● Edutopia – Relationship Building From Day 1 ● Mood Meter ● Zones of Regulation ● Examples of Tiered Practices ● Example of relational home visits: Parent Teacher Home Visits and Learning Engagement and Attendance Program (LEAP) ● Example of mentoring: MENTOR and virtual mentor portals, Peer Group Connections, Success Mentor ● Attendance Playbook and Implementation Guide
41-53	**Strategies and Tools to Communicate About Attendance** ● 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 ● Letters for Families ● Spring Attendance Dips ● Strengthen Summer Learning ● 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 ● Health handout for families OSPI Attendance & Truancy Resources • OSPI Attendance Webpage • OSPI Attendance Newsletter Resources of Note: • Withdrawing Guidance & Webinar • Truancy 101 Webinar – recording and resources posted soon Contact us at Attendance@k12.wa.us
54	**Q&A**
55-56	**Review of Learning Goals & Class Evaluation** Evaluation Survey https://app.upmetrics.com/data_collector/ckf2oltbqlt8k0759tfdbfybj
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59-60	**Appendix** ● Updated District & School Attendance Tracking Tools