



Schoolwide Positive Behavior Plan Baltimore County Public Schools

Date Completed: 6/30/2021 School Year 2021-2022

School: Dundalk Elementary

Section 1: Initial Steps

School Climate Team

Identify members of a School Climate Team (consider a representative selection of members). The team meets initially to examine equity concerns and data and to develop the Schoolwide Positive Behavior Plan. The team should then meet monthly (minimum quarterly) to assess the effectiveness of the SWPBP on an ongoing basis.

Jen Pilarski- Principal Heather Swinder- AP

Nikki Fields- Reading Resource

Deiona Gbangbalasa- Classroom Teacher (K)

Jen Farlow- ESOL

Katie Karpus – Staff Development Teacher

Andrea Weaver- Reading Specialist

Jess Bender- Reading specialist

Jen Plakosh- Math Resource

Michele Jacobs- MTSS Resource Teacher

Katherine Rodgers – P.E.

Equity Lens

Through an equity lens, identify what the data indicate about the social-emotional needs of students and the support provided by staff members relative to disproportionality between student groups, especially for African Americans or students receiving special education. Also consider the school's population with regard to ELL, Latinx, and/or other student groups. (Information may be from School Data Story)

Data Analysis

Summarize what the data tell about the school climate. (Information from School Data Story) The data indicates that DES has a persistent gap for our black and multiracial students.

Climate Goals

Identify the school's goals in improving the social-emotional climate of the building. (Information from School Progress Plan)

Educators will examine and interrogate their personal biases to become aware of the ways in which their own cultural experiences influence the conditions and learning opportunities that they create for students.

Section 2: Developing and Teaching Expectations

Expectations Defined

Identify a School Code of Conduct with 3-5 positively stated school expectations. Develop a way to communicate the identified rules, based on the schoolwide expectations, for specific settings within the school building. Expectations should be clearly stated, communicated, taught, and frequently referenced.

We are peaceful with our words and actions. We are responsible for one another and ourselves. We are respectful of people and things. We are enthusiastic and always work with excellence.

Classroom Plan for Teaching and Reinforcing Expectations, Routines, and Procedures

Teachers develop visuals to communicate culturally relevant classroom expectations, routines, and procedures based upon the schoolwide expectations. Educators explicitly teach expectations, routines, and procedures. The school staff recognize and reinforce expected and positive behavior. Teachers identify encouraging procedures and corrective procedures for their classrooms.

Visuals of school promise

Community Circle – meaningful, consistent, culturally relevant, goals, student voice, everyone should be acknowledged, one level, true circle, norms, and talking piece. (All staff) Visual Goal Anchor Chart (Up in room daily)

Virtues Language- virtue a week, announcements, and using available resources. **Restorative Practices**- Problem Solving Support

Family/Community Engagement

Identify how the Schoolwide Positive Behavior Plan, the schoolwide expectations, and/or interventions will be communicated and shared with families. Consider how to include family and student voice in the initial plan and in evaluating the plan throughout the year.

Sharing of priorities at Back to School Event and SEL focused family night in the first quarter. Development of advisory group that includes parents to provide feedback and refinement .to the plan

Section 3: Developing Interventions and Supporting Students

Resource Mapping of MTSS

Identify the evidence-based practices and interventions offered at Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3 to support all students. Consider what culturally responsive interventions the school requires to meet the specific needs of the students.

Tier 1- Virtues Language, Restorative Practices, Conscious Discipline, Mindfulness

Tier 2- Zones of Regulation, Second Step, Targeted Support Groups, Individualized plans, Check in/out, mentoring

Tier 3- SST plans, Therapeutic interventions

Social-Emotional Learning

Identify the specific evidence-based social-emotional learning skill development practices the school will implement during the school year. Consider the importance of trauma-informed care, mental health awareness, level of students' coping skills, etc. Determine how the social-emotional learning and the SEL competencies will be integrated into the school's programming. Consider the need for any training the staff members may require.

All students will engage in Conscious Discipline infused in mandatory community circles and optimistic closure each day. Zones of Regulation will be introduced for students to identify and manage their emotions

Character Education

Determine how specific evidence-based character education learning will be infused into the school's programming to promote positive behavior and ethical decision-making. Character education will be culturally responsive and co-created with diverse stakeholders. Consider the need for any training the staff members may require.

Community Circles will include direct instruction on virtues, beginning with the ones highlighted in the school promise.

Second Step and Empowerment groups for students of color Mentor programs

Professional Development for Staff

Identify the professional development that will be offered to staff members throughout the year in order to support their knowledge, skill development, and implementation of the interventions selected, the character education learning, and social-emotional learning practices. Specify the schedule for professional development and how to obtain teacher feedback during the year to address their concerns and areas in which they want/need more information. (Information from School Progress Plan.)

PD during preservice week and ongoing on:

Conscious Discipline

Restorative Practices/Problem Solving

Virtues Language

Mindfulness

Ongoing coaching with MTSS Resource teacher and SDT

Section 4: Supporting and Responding to Student Behavior

Recognitions/Incentives

Identify a variety of positive consequences, acknowledgements, recognitions, and/or incentives that are linked to the behavioral expectations and rules. Develop a system for implementing the positive acknowledgements consistently in school settings. Consider how to monitor who

is being recognized and who is not being recognized and whether explicit or implicit biases may be occurring.

Positive Office Referrals- recognition by administration of individual students Hallway of Fame- students who demonstrate positive behavior are photographed and captioned to highlight the virtue being demonstrated

Students on Positive Behavior Charts that include regular breaks and celebrations School Wide Recognition assemblies focused on leadership, virtues, and academics

Hierarchy for Behavioral Referrals and Consequences

Identify the behaviors that are teacher-managed, behaviors referred to resource staff, and behaviors referred to administration. Refer to the BCPS Student Handbook for teacher and administrator-led interventions. Consider how unsafe behaviors will be addressed.

Teacher Managed Behaviors- conflicts between students, noncompliant behavior, minor disruptions

Resource Managed Behaviors- continued disruptions, student breaks Administrator Managed Behaviors- physical aggression, extreme/continuous disruptions

Response for Intensive Behaviors

Identify a hierarchy of responses to intensive behaviors (i.e., emergency/crisis management/threat assessment/unsafe behaviors) including interventions and supports. Indicate which school staff members will respond as well as procedures and training as needed.

Crisis Response: School Counselors (CPI), MTSS resource (CPI), administrators (CPI), nurse, special educator if applicable

Regular meetings to have specific plans and point people for individual students Paper Resource: "Who Do I Contact" that includes Threat Assessments and CPS concerns

Monitoring the Schoolwide Positive Behavior Plan/Data Analysis

Identify the data that will be collected and reviewed by the School Climate Team in order to identify behavior trends, patterns, action steps, and interventions using a problem-solving strategy. Consider having a uniform referral form for staff to complete to document referrals to administration. Consider how teachers should document classroom-managed concerns/behaviors/difficulties. (Information from School Progress Plan.)

Collection of MTSS data

Referral data, standard form that is entered into Focus upon resolution

Section 5: Miscellaneous Content/Components

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