January Resource Toolkit

Continuous Improvement Principles and Framework

The Continuous Improvement Framework

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- Promote anti-racist and anti-bias practices.
- Find, provide, and expand fair supports in learning communities.
- Build strong leaders at every level.
- Use of data inquiry/school improvement methods.
- Focus on better teaching practices.
- Apply these efforts through a multi-tiered system of supports.

Focus: Systems and Best Practices for Attendance Improvement

Introduction

Regular attendance is essential for student success. When students miss school often, it can signal broader issues of inequity in schools. Schools work best when they develop systems of support to help students attend regularly.

Theory of Action

Research, school case studies, and attendance data shape our current understanding of how to improve student attendance. Schools can better support their students by using teams to review attendance patterns (tier 1) and identify common barriers that keep students from coming to school (tier 2). These teams should use clear, actionable attendance data that's easy to understand visually. When schools create solutions based on input from students, families, and partners, they can help more students attend school regularly. This approach helps schools build a culture that values attendance, which leads to better student engagement and learning. Schools can use this theory of action to make lasting improvements in student attendance.

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Materials & Resources

OSPI Resources
- [OSPI Attendance Newsletter](#)
- [OSPI Attendance Web Resources](#)

Assess your Attendance Systems
- Assess your school's attendance systems with this [Self-Assessment](#)

Strengthen your Tier 1 Focus with Teaming & Data
- [Tier 1 Attendance Teaming Agenda & Checklist](#)
- [Leveraging your Data to Implement Effective Tiered Interventions](#) (YouTube Training)
- [Attendance Data to Inform Tier 1](#) (YouTube Training)

Communication Research & Tools
- [Ad Council Research Institute Research and Toolkit](#): Effective Messaging for Parents Regarding Attendance
- [Attendance Messaging Planning Tool](#) (use to prepare communication)
- [Writing for Busy Readers: 6 Principles](#) (use when making communication)

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