

Building Better School Attendance



USBA Conference | January 10, 2026

Agenda

01

Foundation
Stage

Implementation
Stage

03

Refinement
Stage

What information
is notable?

What question(s)
remain?

What action(s) will
be taken?



OBJECTIVES

- **Provide** actions and strategies for foundational attendance system
- **Share** high lever actions to support implementation efforts
- **Reflect** on refinement opportunities
- **Identify** key actions to take after the conference



COLLABORATION

The power is in discussion



DISCUSSION PROMPTS

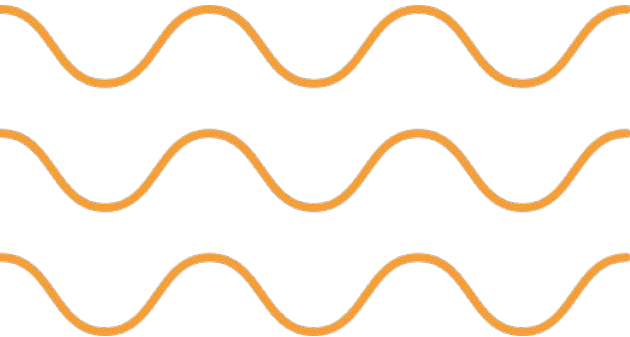
- Share key ideas
- Clarify information
- Thought partners
- Collaboration and interaction
- Identify action items
- Ask questions

INTERACT & QUESTION

- Ask questions
- Share feedback
- Interact with content, participants and presenters



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Getting to Know You

Raise your hand if...

- You are a Superintendent
- You are a school board member
- You work at a school district
- You know where to find your LEA's attendance policy
- You gave feedback or participated in creation of your LEA's attendance policy

Introductions with OSD and MCSD team

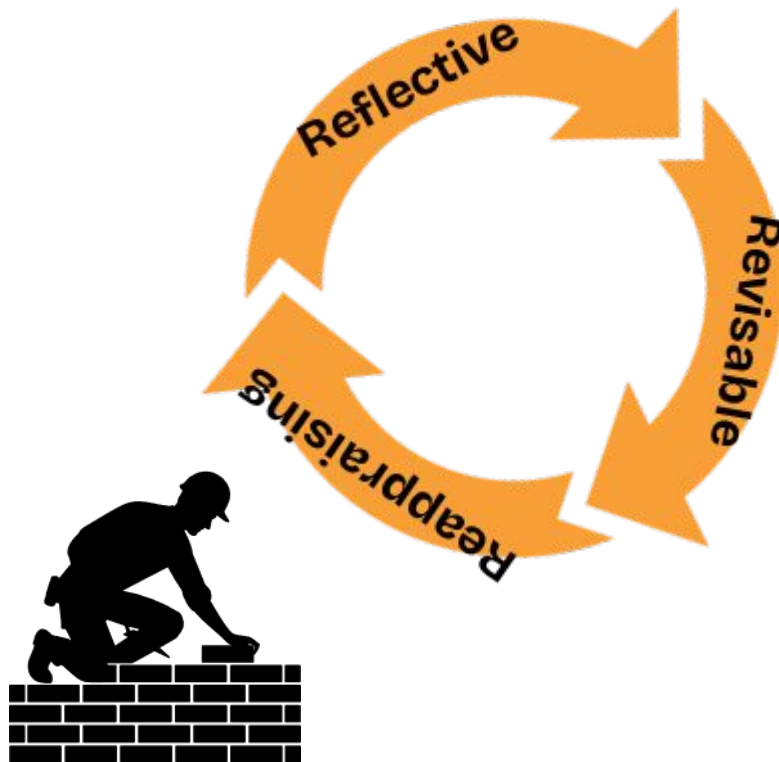
FOUNDATION STAGE



Setting the stage

Foundation Stage: Key Components

- Strategic Plan
- Attendance Policy
- District Attendance Team
- Data Tracking Tools
- School Board Involvement



Targeted Planning

Strategic Planning

- Attendance prioritized
- Goals, objectives, actions, indicators communicated

PRIORITY THREE - MULTI TIERED SYSTEMS OF SUPPORT IMPLEMENTATION: ATTENDANCE SYSTEM

Why it's important:

Consistent school attendance is a foundational factor in student academic success. Research shows that poor attendance negatively affects test scores, increases dropout rates, and reduces the likelihood of on-time graduation. Early patterns of absenteeism, even in elementary school, are strong predictors of lower academic performance in later grades, and sixth-grade attendance has been shown to correlate strongly with high school completion (Balfanz & Byrnes, 2012). Chronic absenteeism also exacerbates existing achievement gaps at all educational levels.

A Multi-Tiered System of Supports (MTSS) framework uses a proactive, tiered approach to identify and respond to barriers affecting student attendance. Schools using MTSS have reported significant reductions in chronic absenteeism, as the model allows for early identification and intervention based on students' individual needs (U.S. Department of Education, 2022).

Research emphasizes the importance of school-based mental health (SBMH) as a key component of interventions. Emotional regulation and psychological well-being are critical to both development and academic engagement. According to the National Center on Safe Supportive Learning Environments, supporting students' mental health plays a vital role in improving attendance and educational outcomes. In fact, a study highlighted by K-12 Dive found that students who receive mental health services are less likely to be chronically absent. Incorporating mental health supports into an MTSS framework addresses emotional and psychological barriers to attendance, which can further reduce absenteeism and promote overall student well-being (Schonfeld & Ursano, 2021).

OBJECTIVE 1 Increase the number of students with 95% attendance or higher (regular attenders) to 65% by 2030.

Priority 3 Expectations

- Attendance System Assessment, Reflection, Data Analysis and Action Planning:
 - o **District:** The OSD Student Advocacy team will guide and coach all key stakeholders at the building level to review attendance system implementation using various evidence-based tools. Data will be analyzed with reflection completed for development of targeted action plans specific to site needs.
 - o **School:** All OSD elementary and secondary schools will engage in scheduled assessments (e.g., School Practice Self-Assessment, SEAT) data analysis, and action planning and engage in ongoing collaborative team meetings to review site-based action plans and

MCSD Attendance Team: Yearly Mapping

Year Round / Monthly

- ☐ Data Reports
 - ☐ Identify trends
 - ☐ Link provided to all administrators
- ☐ Support school attendance learning, data collection, sharing best practices
 - ☐ Support school accountability
- ☐ Positive reinforcement of positive attendance and improvement
- ☐ Celebration spotlights on social media

July

- ☐ Review policy and update if needed

August

- ☐ Campaign: Back to school messaging
- ☐ Training
 - ☐ Secretaries: codes
 - ☐ Administrators
 - ☐ District goals and expectations
 - ☐ Campaigns / Campaign package
 - ☐ Data collection
 - ☐ Interventions / Menu
 - ☐ Determine school plan and goals
 - ☐ Communicate with district attendance team around what support you need

September

- ☐ Campaign:
 - ☐ Attendance Awareness Month
 - ☐ Homecoming (may be in October)
 - ☐ Positive personal outreach to Chronically Absent students
 - ☐ Intervention Class: previous year's chronically absent students who are at risk this year
 - ☐ Community mapping and pushing out resources

October

- ☐ Intervention class
- ☐ Prevention Block Grant / Attendance Funding
- ☐ Administrative / Attendance personnel check in
- ☐ Site visits to attendance teams at schools

November

- ☐ Campaign:
 - ☐ BYU vs. Utah
 - ☐ 6 weeks prior to winter break
- ☐ Intervention class
- ☐ Board Report
- ☐ How sick is too sick? messaging

December

- ☐ Continue to work on intervention class
- ☐ Celebration and registration of school success

January

- ☐ Campaign: Back to school messaging
- ☐ Intervention class
- ☐ Administrative check in
- ☐ Advocate for attendance and at risk funding

at legislative level

February

- ☐ Campaign: "spring slump" / March Madness
- ☐ Intervention class

March

- ☐ Last Intervention class in early March
- ☐ Board Report

April

- ☐ Campaign:
 - ☐ Kindergarten registration
 - ☐ Campaign contest
- ☐ Data collection for Prevention Block Grant
- ☐ Flag students for support in upcoming year

May

- ☐ Financial budgets corrected
- ☐ Campaign: "End of year strong"
- ☐ Celebrations and Recognition of school success
- ☐ Analyze data
 - ☐ What students want
 - ☐ Return on intervention investment

June

- ☐ Data finalization
 - ☐ Identify trends
 - ☐ Establish partnerships
 - ☐ Prevention Block Grant reporting
- ☐ Board Report
- ☐ Prep messaging for the upcoming school year
 - ☐ Get to schools
 - ☐ Campaign materials

MCSD ATTENDANCE EFFORTS: 2023-24 TIMELINE

Term 1

- Identified attendance as part of Comprehensive Prevention Plan:
 - Set 5 year attendance goal
 - Set year goals
 - Host 2 attendance symposiums
 - Awarded grant funding for attendance marketing materials and support teams clinic, calendar magnets with chronic absenteeism data, attendance toolkits, etc.
- Set District Training Expectations:
 - District Attendance Team
 - School-specific Attendance Teams
- Established Expectations for Schools / Principals:
 - School attendance team
 - Regular data collection and goal setting
 - Focus on Tier 1 efforts
 - Attendance campaigns
- District Attendance Metrics We are Measuring We are Used:
 - Information for parents, regular Board Member videos, focus on data
 - From district and school level communication platforms
- Regular Data Collection:
 - Monthly reports to Murray Board of Education, School Administration, District Attendance Team

Term 2

- Focus on MTSS Framework for Attendance:
 - Continued push on Tier 1 at school level
 - Additional needs supports identified for Tier 2 and 3
- Attendance Metrics Clinic:
 - Including attendance clinics for families / students that could not attend
- Tier 1 Attendance Intervention Services: Students:
 - Cross referenced results with Attendance Intervention and Support's Matrix to identify needs. Purchased, shared, or created for students
- Updated District Policy:
 - The Supportive First Chart of Intervention and Supports for Attendance
 - Updated district wide attendance codes to intervention data
 - Updated attendance letters to families (added friendly letter and updated to match laws)
- Interventions & Supports:
 - Trained school Administration on interventions and supports identified (Phone call script, DMS, OES, Check & Connect)
 - Established list of ongoing needs / continued training (Attendance 360, Attendance Self-Supporting)

Term 3

- District Wide Attendance Campaigns (Continued):
 - January Spirit Week
 - March Madness Attendance Competition
 - District wide attendance "The Business" supports MCSD attendance
- Student General Interventions:
 - Attendance based on Negative Behavioral Clauses
- Weekly Board Support of Schools:
 - Tier 1 Support (in future this would be aligned with a district wide Attendance Support and Resources, however, schools are needing individualized support at this time)
 - 6th Grade Attendance Metrics Clinic (reaching out to needed for attendance success and require support)
 - Scheduled TIF Facilitation in Fall 2024
- Attendance Metrics Clinic 2.0:
 - Reopened to include heavy focus on Multicultural Interventions (MCI) to support student success
- Attendance Metrics Support:
 - Regular meetings
 - Support for their representation of Check & Connect Intervention

Term 4

- Attendance Campaign:
 - Poster contest in April, to use for the 2025 school year
 - District wide calendar magnets with information about chronic absenteeism / tracking
 - "How Sick is Too Sick" survey contest
- Attendance Metrics Support:
 - Attendance Metrics Support
 - Family & Staff Survey
- Access 2024 strategies and planning for the 2025 school year:
 - Prevention Block Grant Additional Attendance Metrics at elementary school level, high school level
- Attendance Metrics Support @ Elementary Level:
 - Good setting support for individual students

Defined Policy

Attendance Policy

- Compliance with legislation
- Cyclical review and updates
- Defined attendance codes for absence/tardy reasons
 - Used consistently across schools
- Supports/addresses fidelity in tracking data

9. STUDENTS | 9.1 Student Attendance and Enrollment
9.1.102 Compulsory Attendance, Absences, Tardiness, and Truancies

Guiding Questions for Attendance Work Group:

- What is our philosophy for the intent of our policy?
The overarching goal is to promote student engagement and reduce barriers to regular attendance, ensuring every student has the opportunity to succeed.
- What is the formal definition of habitual truancy? How do we use "truancy" in our district?
- Review HB 362 language for a habitual truancy referral to court.
- Review the IC attendance reports and ask an attendance office staff member to look at the reporting. What feedback do you have for what we need?
- If you have custom attendance reports, what is the reason you use them? What data is given that we don't already have access to in IC?

The Ogden City School District Board of Education recognizes that excessive student absenteeism and tardiness, whether caused by excused or unexcused absences, is an early warning sign of poor academic achievement and research suggests may put students at risk of dropping out of school. The Board desires all students attend school in accordance with the state's compulsory education law and take full advantage of educational opportunities provided by the District.

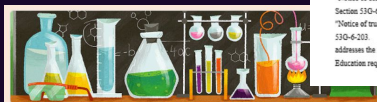
The District shall establish a system to accurately track and monitor student attendance, including methods to identify students classified as chronic absentees and truants, as defined in Utah Code and Administrative Rule. The District shall develop strategies that focus on prevention and early intervention of attendance problems. Preventative strategies may include efforts to provide a safe and positive school climate, relevant and engaging learning experiences, and school activities that help develop students' feelings of connectedness with the school and school personnel.

Legal Ref.: Utah Code §§ 53G-8-201 through 204-206, 53G-8-202 through 211
Utah Admin. Code R277-807

Approved by the Board of Education, June 26, 2006; revisions approved by the Board of Education, May 15, 2014 and March 19, 2020 and [Date of approved revisions]

"Notice of compulsory education" is a notice of violation to the parents of students in grades 1-4 consistent with Section 53G-4-202.

"Notice of truancy" is a citation issued to students and parents of students in grades 7-12 consistent with Section 53G-4-203.
addresses the interplay between absences for mental health or behavioral health and Free Appropriate Public Education requirements or other educational service requirements for students under federal law including the IDEA.



Attendance Policy Feedback

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OSD's Attendance Work Group has been reviewing attendance policies and procedures. We are seeking input from our stakeholder groups to gain how policies and procedures are implemented by different staff groups and at different levels - elementary, junior high, and high school.

Please share your thoughts to the questions included below. We would appreciate your responding to each question, but none are required to have a response. There is an "Other" section to add questions or comments around attendance needs that may not have been included in this form.

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School Grade Levels: *

- ☐ Elementary
- ☐ Junior High
- ☐ High School
- ☐ Alternative Placement

Position *

- ☐ Administrative Assistant, Attendance Office Staff Member, Registrar

District Based Team

- Who are the “best minds” to be at the table to address district-wide attendance needs/planning?
- How are resources prioritized to support district level attendance work?

AGENDAS | Attendance Work Group 2024-2025

[EAB Attendance Pilot](#)

Support Resources:

- [9.1.101 Compulsory Attendance Ages](#)
- [9.1.102 Compulsory Attendance, Absences, Tardiness, and Truancies](#)
- [Utah Code - Enrollment and Attendance Records](#)
- [IC - Available Reports](#)
- [10-Day Drop Memo](#)
- [EAB - Session 1 Workbook](#)
- Targeted Outreach: [Attendance Barrier Survey Option from VMHD](#)
- In the absence of policy/law, we use good judgment. How do we ensure consistency in “good judgment” that is realistic across all settings?
 - Ability to coach/support stakeholders - (example: here are the things you do to prevent a student from 10-day drop)
 - Build communication, connection, trust into policy - bridge policy/expectations with effective communication (strong relationships; 2-way communication)
 - Clear, accessible, easy to understand
- What is the why and key to taking attendance? What is the common understanding for each stakeholder group on the why behind what everyone is doing? Philosophy and mindset around having a policy
 - Equitable/fair treatment of stakeholders
- Transportation Options:
 - Walking School Bus
 - [VIA-Transit](#)
- Infinite Campus Questions:
How does OSD currently report ADM to the state at the High School level? Is it if a student is absent 3 or more class periods it counts as a whole day absence or is it a full day?

ADM (Average Daily Membership) is not reported to the state. School Membership is reported for each student to the State. In short, a student's school membership would be the number of days a student is enrolled in a school, not the number of days a student attended. There is a separate field of “Days Attended” that is reported to the State. According to the UTREx specifications “Days Attended”:

Days Attended: (Required) This represents the sum of days attended by the student in both regular settings (S1) and self-contained settings. A student should be counted as in attendance on a school day if the student was counted on the roll by a teacher as being “present”:

- Grades 1 - 6: at any time during the day
- Grades 7 - 12: in at least one period of the day

As for the second part of this question, I assume that you are referring to half and whole day absences. Absences are reported to the State as either Excused, Unexcused or Absence Due to Suspension. Each is calculated/figured differently.

Data Tracking

- What system are you using, how is data collected?
- What data do you want tracked (e.g. daily absences, tardies, excused/unexcused, chronic absenteeism)?
- How will this be reported out?
- How is the data tracking tool flexible to adapt as needs change?
- What strategies/tools are used to gather stakeholder input?

TAC	First Quarter				Second Quarter			
	Q1 Regular Att.	At Risk	80%-90%	<80%	Q2 Regular Att.	At Risk	80%-90%	<80%
69%	45%	17%	20%	14%	32%	19%	25%	23%
78%	64%	17%	12%	6%	52%	21%	19%	8%
84%	50%	20%	16%	9%	44%	17%	22%	15%
60%	51%	18%	17%	10%	39%	22%	25%	15%
89%	56%	19%	13%	8%	52%	19%	18%	11%
93%	46%	16%	20%	14%	42%	20%	22%	17%
80%	46%	15%	19%	11%	39%	19%	26%	15%
78%	57%	18%	15%	7%	50%	20%	23%	7%
98%	66%	14%	13%	4%	59%	19%	17%	5%
69%	53%	22%	13%	7%	50%	16%	22%	12%
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73%	36%	18%	20%	23%	31%	14%	25%	28%
87%	43%	14%	19%	21%	48%	13%	21%	25%
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School Board Support

- What part does the district's school board play in attendance initiatives/goals?
 - OSD supporting Tier 1 Attendance at schools
 - MCSD school board members part of district-based attendance team

How School Board Members Can Support Attendance

Greet Students at the Door

- Select a school in your constituency
- Email school administrator that you will be on campus to support
- Find start time on school website
- Arrive at the school 15 minutes early
- Greet students as they enter the school with a smile, "Good morning," "Welcome to school" message

Participate in Attendance Incentive

- Select a school in your constituency
- Email school administrator asking for a day/time scheduled for attendance incentive
Many have something set for January 18th without a specific time until after Winter Break. Some schools have a weekly incentive (e.g. Odyssey hosts a Fun Friday).
- Join incentive party (let [Jer](#) know if you are able to attend so we can share pictures on social media)
- Share OSD's post to your social media with messaging around our district and schools supporting attendance

Message Constituents About Upcoming Attendance Initiatives

- Send messaging to your constituency about the importance of attendance and how students are celebrated in the district
- Share district-based incentive campaign as a resource
- Email administrator for information about upcoming attendance campaigns and share out that messaging to constituency
- Use Attendance Works messaging to share information about why attendance matters

Join a School-Based Attendance Meeting

- Select a school in your constituency
- Email the administrator asking for the scheduled day/time for Attendance Support Meetings
- Schedule a visit with the school administrator
- Sit in on the meeting to observe the process
- Share with your constituency a general overview of how our school teams work together to support attendance needs of all students

Feel free to reach out to Nicole Lovell (loveln@ogdensd.org) or Garrett Russell (russellg@ogdensd.org) for support!

Foundation | Group Discussion

STEP 1	What is notable? <ul style="list-style-type: none">Team members share out what information was notable based on current priorities/needs.	30 sec
STEP 2	Clarifying Questions <ul style="list-style-type: none">At the table, discuss what questions are lingering based on the information shared.	30 sed
STEP 3	Application <ul style="list-style-type: none">Participants share action steps that may be taken to support attendance system needs within their role and LEA.	30 sec
STEP 4	Reflection <ul style="list-style-type: none">Take the time to add questions and/or feedback points to the padlet shared.	1 min.



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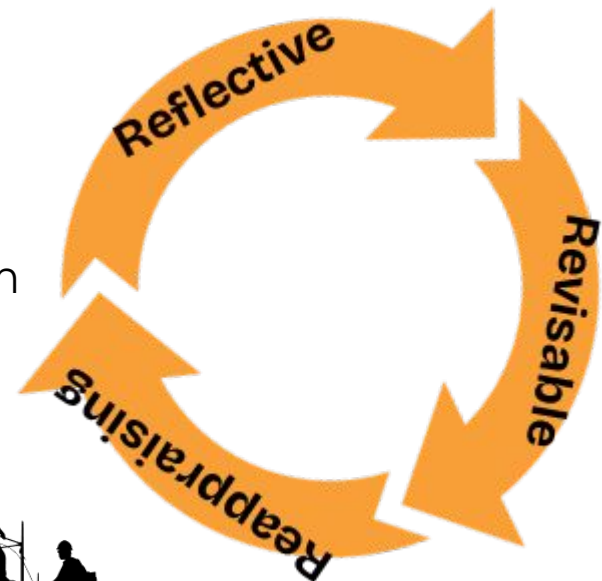
IMPLEMENTATION STAGE



Putting theory into practice

Implementation Stage: Key Components

- System/Flow chart
- Attendance procedures
- District-wide attendance campaigns
- Implementing best practices based on research
- Collaboration with USBE and LEAs
- Data to measure system development



System Flowchart

- What are the foundational components of district- and school-based systems?
- How does the system align with the district attendance policy and resources?
- What components focus on prevention and early intervention?

MCSO District Attendance Flow Chart

Schools should utilize the Tiered Attendance Checklist, the TFI, SEAT and student and parent surveys to ensure Tier 1 system components are in place.

Tier 1 System Includes

Attendance Policy and Team (District and School)

Accurate Attendance & Tier 1 Data Collection

Consistent Stakeholder Communication

Strong PBIS

Welcoming Culture

Tier 1 System components are addressed at both the district and school level. From recent attendance survey data there is strong indication that classroom engagement and connection with teachers is a critical component of student attendance. Additionally, your PBIS structures need to include a focus on regular attendance.

Tier 1 Support Sequence

Teacher Tardy/Attendance Talk with Student

Teacher 2x10

Teacher Phone Call Home

Letters Sent Home

Home Visit / Parent Meeting

After 3 consecutive absences, the teacher will reach out to the family. After 5 unexcused non-consecutive absences; compulsory education letter / truancy notification letter sent by school. Parents will be required to meet with school officials. After 10 excused non-consecutive absences, a friendly letter home will be sent. Additional home visits / parent meetings may take place to address attendance challenges.

Tier 2 Action & Intervention

Attendance 3P (Problem Solving)

Attendance Goal Setting

Attendance CICO or Check and Connect

District Attendance Matters Class (District Action)

Attendance Specialist Meeting (District Action)

Attendance Courses Assigned (Consultation with District Attendance Specialists)

After a school has tried Tier 2 Interventions without improvement, the school can refer that student to the district for additional Tier 2 and 3 district action.

Tier 3 Intervention

Peer Court or other community service referral

District Attendance Hearing

Attendance Success Plan

DFCS Referral

A Mental Health Referral can be made at any point in which it is deemed appropriate with parent/guardian consent.

Upon appropriate referral from the school, district office will set up an attendance hearing with the family. If attendance does not improve, then district will work with the school to make a DCFS referral.



CLASSROOM TEACHER ATTENDANCE PROCEDURES

- Take role at start of period
- Mark absent students in online portal
- Verify excused notes with office
- Submit daily report by 3 PM
- Follow up on consecutive absences

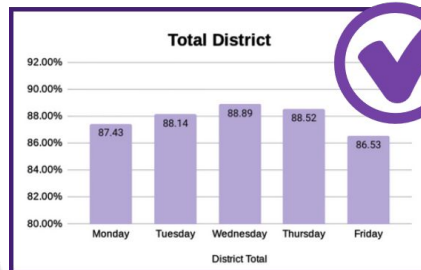
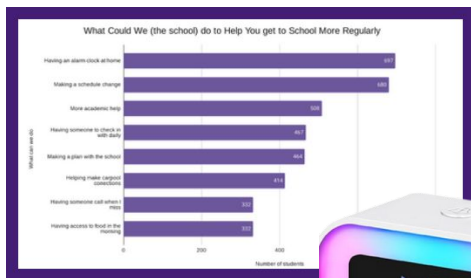
Attendance Procedures

- How are attendance procedures (e.g. teachers taking attendance; office staff updates) defined?
- How do procedures align with needs (e.g. data tracking/analysis, prevention)?
- What barriers need to be addressed with revised procedures?




District-Wide Campaigns and Information

- How do campaigns incorporate data as a driver for the initiative/goal?
- Lacking clear expectations can be a barrier to increasing attendance outcomes. In what way is your district sharing information to foster a culture of commitment and accountability?



Ogden School District Campaign



Did you know? Starting in Kindergarten, students should miss no more than **9 days** of school per year to stay on track for graduation. That means missing **no more than one day per month!**

✓ Excused Absences Include...	✗ Unexcused Absences Include...
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Illness• Medical appointments• Dental appointments• Doctor-recommended quarantine• Funeral• Religious holidays• Legal appointments• Jury duty (if over 18 years old)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vacation and trips• Missing the bus• Oversleeping• Work• Babysitting

Too sick to come to school?

If your student will be absent, please let us know as soon as possible. Call the front office at 801-737-xxxx or email us at attendance@district.edu.

Not sure how many days your student has missed so far this year?

Don't let absences add up! Check your child's attendance monthly:

1. Visit
2. Login using your username and password
3. Click **Attendance**
4. [Add instruction here]

Having trouble getting to school? We are here to help!

- Transportation
- Housing
- Mental health
- Other needs

Resources and services are available to help your student get to school. Contact the front office at 801-737-xxxx for assistance.

Universal Communication

OSD refined attendance messaging to students and families. The focus was to provide clear expectations for attendance in family-friendly language. It was also important that messaging was consistent across settings.

Murray School District Campaigns

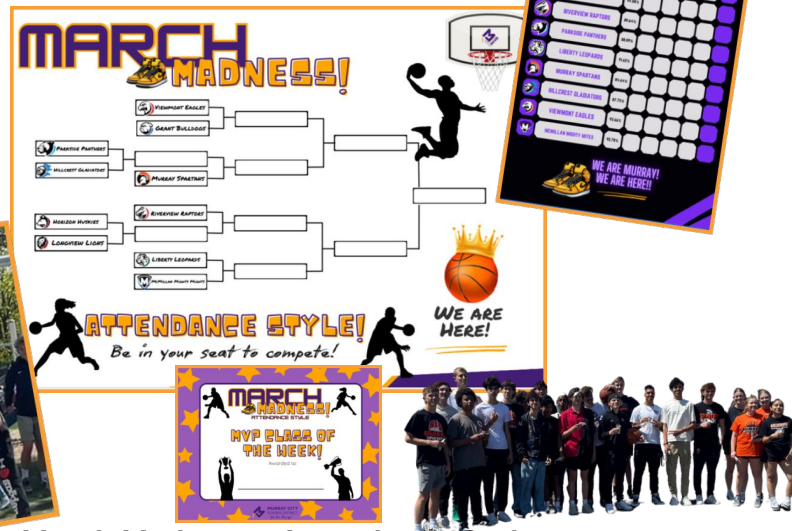
District-Wide Magnet

Had a District-wide fridge magnet made for every student. This was handed out with a attendance fact sheet. There is a place to track absences at the top.

We are Murray! We are Here! 2024-2025

Regular Attendance		At Risk Attendance		Chronically Absent	
90% or more		75% or more		10% or more	
Students enjoy and make the most of their educational opportunities if they attend school regularly and on time.					
Missing one day or less students back by the day compared to their classmates. Students who miss about 15 days per year are at risk of missing a whole year of school before 12th grade.					
Just missing one day every two weeks can add up to 18 days in a year. Absences add up before you know it!					
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■ Free Day for 7th Grade ■ School Begins ■ Half Day ■ No School ■ Parent/Teacher Conference ■ Last Day



March Madness - Attendance Style

This fun competition has quickly become a district favorite and has been especially effective in boosting attendance during the early stages of the "spring slide." We involved our High School Basketball teams this year and they helped make promotional videos and spent some recess time with our winning elementary schools.



Campaign in Action

MURRAY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
PRESENTS...

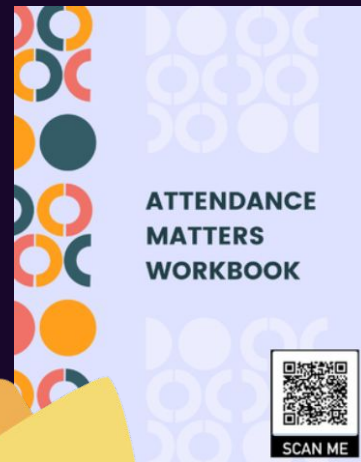
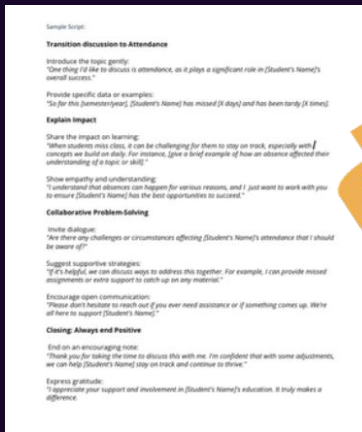
MARCH

MADNESS

ATTENDANCE STYLE!

Evidence-Based Strategies

- Teacher-led attendance conversations
- Access to community resources
- Attendance Matters class - parent involvement
- Motivational interviewing



Using Data to Drive Initiatives

*National Data shows that students who miss more than 2 days in the first 20 days of school are 5 times more likely to be chronically absent by the end of the year.



After 30 days, 53% of students who received a postcard showed improved attendance—rising to 58% after 60 days.



Attendance System Implementation Data

- Use of evidence-based data tools
- Ongoing assessment windows
- Opportunities for analysis, reflection and action planning

PBIS and Attendance Assessment Dates

Survey	First Window	Second Window
PBIS Building Walk-Through	September 29th - October 14th	January 20th - February 6th
Benchmarks of Quality	October 20th - October 31st	March 9th - March 27th
Tiered Fidelity Inventory (TFI)	NA	April 20th - May 8th
Tiered Attendance Checklist (TAC)	September 29th - October 14th	March 9th - March 27th
SEAT Attendance CNA Focus Group	February 2nd - February 27th	NA

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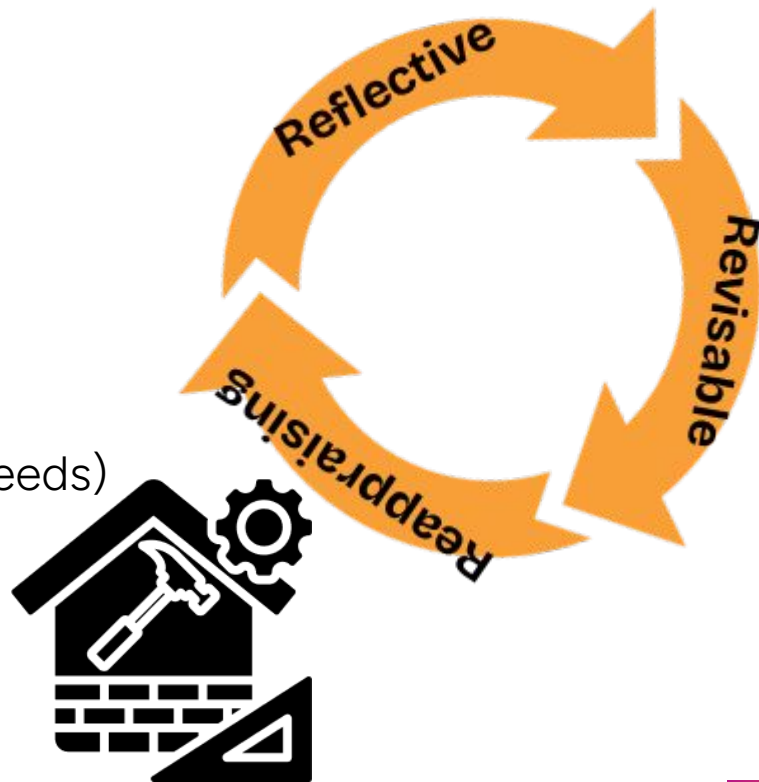
REFINEMENT STAGE



Multi-tiered system of support

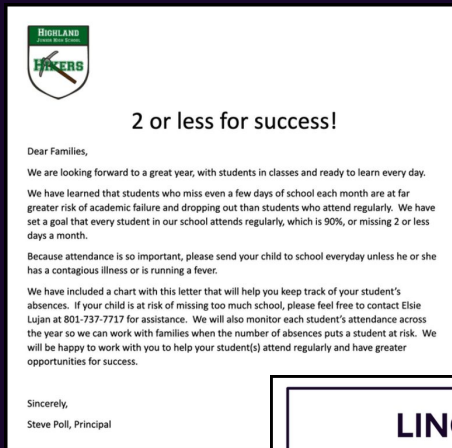
Refinement Stage: Key Components

- Campaigns in schools
- Tier 2, Tier 3 flowchart
- School based attendance teams
- School based attendance staff
- Community resources
- Granular data tools (targeted support needs)



School-Based Campaigns

- Targeted site-based reinforcement



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90% of Kindergarten
proficient on End of Year Acadience

53% Regular Attenders
compared to 39% last year

**AVID National
Showcase School**



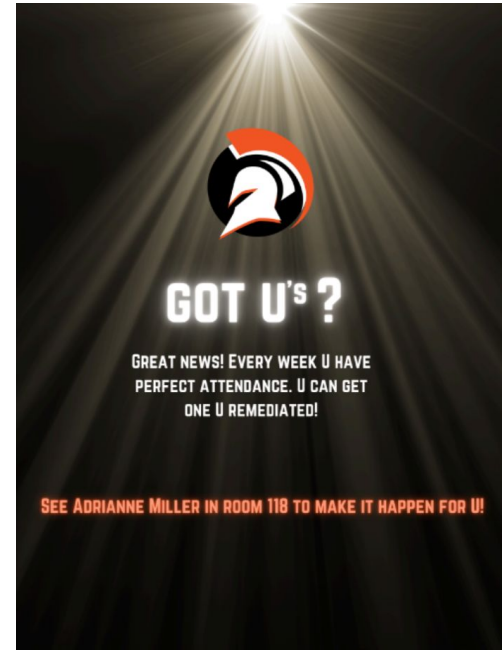
Secondary Attendance Campaigns

- You have to get a bit creative—maybe even a little sneaky—to grab their attention. Humor tends to do the trick.

School giving off
a mad OPPS vibe?



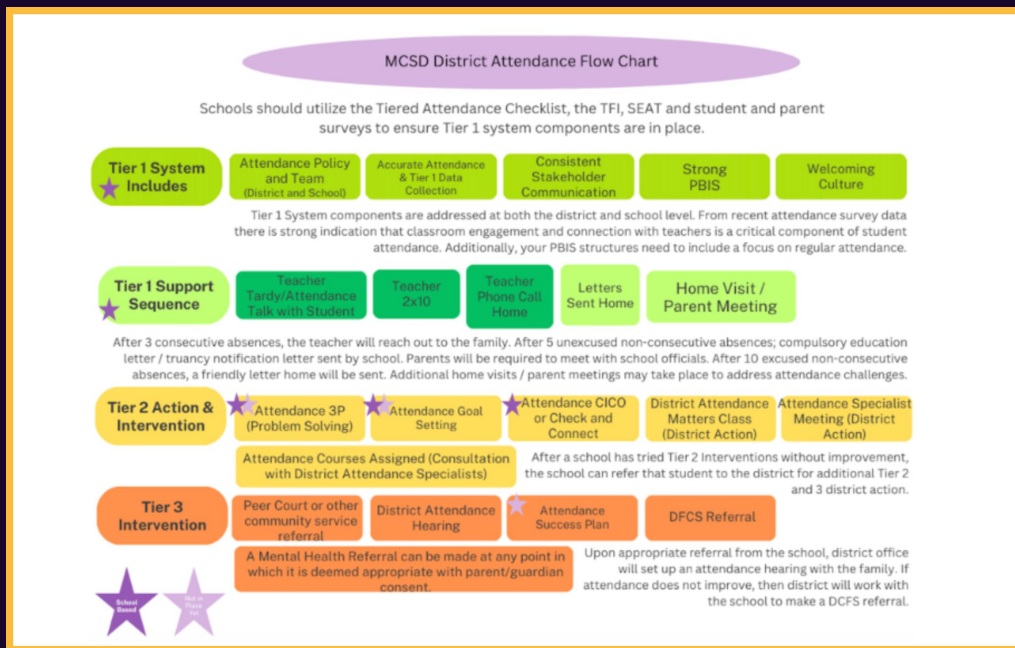
Hamilton knew
how to
avoid FOMO...



Tiered Support System

Multi-tiered system of support (MTSS) includes:

- Clear policy and processes
- Explicit communication to stakeholders (staff, students, parents)
- Reinforcement and corrective measures
- Tier 2 and Tier 3 support strategies/actions



School-Based Attendance Teams

- School staff member supported as attendance expert
 - Drives system implementation at school site
 - Coordinates with school team members and administration
 - Alignment to district initiatives and processes
- Process to address tiered support needs

24-25 Attendance Building Facilitator Stipend	
School Name _____	
Facilitator _____	
Attendance to district Tier 1 Attendance Meetings (Can miss one with no penalty)	
PBIS/Attendance Facilitator GreenSheet: Emily Dinsdale-Ody	
	Attended
September	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
October	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
November	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
December	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
January	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
February	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
March: Meeting was cancelled by District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
April	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
May	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
My Score	9
Total Possible	9
2. Attendance data / information shared with Faculty, SLT, district team	
	Completed
September	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
October First Quarter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
November	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
December	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
January 2nd Quarter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
February	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
March 3rd Quarter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
April	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
May 4th Quarter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
My Score	9
Total Possible	9
3. Assigned Attendance Action Plan Completed	
	Completed
September -	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
October - Tiered Attendance Checklist (TAC) and action planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
November - Attendance Policy sent out	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
December - Action plan based on data / communication sent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
January - SEAT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
February - Action plan based on data / communication sent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
March - Action plan based on data / communication sent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
April - End of Year TAC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
My Score	9
Possible	9
4. Monthly Communication Shared with Stakeholders	
	Completed
September	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
October	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
November	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
December	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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School-Based Attendance Support Staff

- Designated staff to implement attendance support/intervention



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STUDENT ENGAGEMENT INTERVENTION

Community Resources

- Develop and refine partnerships
- Address LEA needs in alignment with community partner initiatives

AGENDA

01

Welcome and
Introductions

02

Attendance
Expectations

03

Attendance
Data

04

Community Partner
Presentations

05

Question and
Answer Time

06

Partner Connection
Action Planning



Granular Data Tools

- Attendance Hot List | Moveable Middle Meetings

Notes	Teacher	Teacher email	Grade	Last date discussed	Total Absence %	Teacher Letter 1 Day 1	Date sent	Date Intervall on book mine	Follow UP	Teacher Letter 2 Day 5	Date sent	Date Intervall on book mine	Follow UP	Home Visit 1 Day 7	Date Intervall on book mine	Attendance Day 16	Date Intervall on book mine	Home Visit 2 Day 15	Date Intervall on book mine	Goal Setting Day 28	Date Intervall on book mine	Home Visit 3 Day 25	Date Intervall on book mine	Youth Court Day 30	Date Intervall on book mine	DCF's Referral Day 40	Date Intervall on book mine
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7 Medical					16.0			ms. 4/24/24				ms. 4/24/24															
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95% on day 9					9.0			ms. 4/24/24				ms. 4/24/24															
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95% on day 16					16.0			ms. 4/24/24				ms. 4/24/24															
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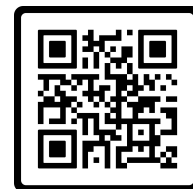


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Five Challenges



1 Find and read your LEA's attendance policy - when was it last revised?

2 Read definitions for your LEA's attendance codes

3 Ask how to actively support your LEA's attendance campaign

4 Ask how your LEA reviews attendance data - regular/chronic

5 Build awareness of attendance code:
Utah Code §§ 53G-6-201 through 211