

# 2022-2023 Dropout Prevention Plan

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## **Anderson Elementary**

- Goal: To reduce the retention rates in K-2<sup>nd</sup> grades
  - Low performing students identified early
    - Baseline assessments given to determine reading and math levels
    - Data Sources: STAR Reading/Early Lit., ELS in Grades 2-8 o Subgroup scores are examined to determine if additional interventions are needed
    - Data Sources: Discipline Data (SAM), Case 21/ELS Data o Multi-Tiered Support System (MTSS)
    - Consists of classroom teacher plus a committee of teachers and administrators
    - Struggling students identified by classroom teachers and baseline assessments
    - Research based interventions are established to improve student learning
    - Small group work or one on one time
    - Constantly assess progress to make proper adjustments to interventions
- Parent Contact
  - Open House Night
  - Automated call system to inform parents
    - o Examples: absences, special events o Teacher phone calls
    - Calls for not only concerns but also praise to build relationships
- Communication between fourth and fifth grade teachers to ease students' transition to middle school o MTSS information disseminated between elementary and middle school
- Teachers preparing students in accordance with Common Core State Standards
- Availability of Counselors
- School and Region IV on campus to meet students' social/emotional needs
- Resources provided to economically disadvantaged and Limited English students
  - o Example: school supplies, partnering with another student
- Use of technology to keep students engaged o Chromebooks for students in pre-K-4<sup>th</sup>
  Grade o Smart Boards and iPads for teachers
- Attendance officer site visits & Works with Youth Court on truancy issues

#### **Booneville Middle School**

- Goal: To reduce retention rates in grades 5-8 while increasing the attendance rate
- ICAP
  - Assessment done by school counselor to create a school and career path
    - High school classes and careers researched in relation to students' interests
- Multi-Tiered Support System (MTSS) o Consists of classroom teacher plus a committee of teachers and administrators o Struggling students identified by classroom teachers and students identified in elementary
  - Research based interventions are established to improve student learning
    - o Small group work or one on one time
    - Constantly assess progress to make proper adjustments to interventions
- Use SAM Spectra to identify students with at-risk components
  - 1 or more grade levels behind
  - Absent more than 10% of the school year
  - Discipline referrals
- Parent Contact
  - o Open House Night
  - Administrator and teacher phone calls
    - Calls for not only concerns but also praise to build relationships
- Extra-Curricular activities
  - Fifth grade students introduced to instrumental music by high school band director
  - 75% of sixth grade students participate in band with high school band director
  - o Sports available for seventh and eighth graders
- Coaches are the same faculty members for Junior High and High School.
- Teachers preparing students in accordance with Common Core State Standards
- Availability of Counselors
  - School and Region IV on campus to meet students social/emotional needs
- Resources provided to economically disadvantaged and Limited English students
  - Example: school supplies, partnering with another student

## **Booneville High School**

- Goal: To target subgroups to help meet graduation requirements
- Use SAM Spectra to identify students with at-risk components
  - 1 or more grade levels behind
  - o Absent more than 10% of the school year o Discipline referrals
- Extra-Curricular Activities
- Get students involved
- Successful athletic teams, band and clubs to keep kids engaged
- Contact with parents and students
  - o Administration meets regularly about grades
  - School counselor in constant contact about graduation requirements and college/scholarship opportunities
- Teachers preparing students in accordance with Common Core State Standards
- Counselors Available
- Vocational, School and Region IV on campus to meet students' social, emotional, and career needs
- Resources provided to economically disadvantaged and Limited English students
- Example: school supplies, partnering with another student
- Attendance officer on campus who works with Youth Court to avoid truancy
- Use of technology to keep students engaged
- Chromebooks for all students o Smart Boards and iPads for teachers
- ICAP updated each year to ensure a plan for each student to be college or career ready
- School and Region IV on campus to meet students social/emotional needs
- Partner with the local Career and Technology school to develop recovery initiatives that focus on students ages 17-21 (MS Works, WorkKeys certficiation, etc.)

# Northeast MS Regional Alternative Education Cooperative

- Goal: To provide graduation recovery initiatives for those ages 17-21 that have already dropped out.
- Get students involved in Mississippi Works. We also are at an advantage due to Northeast Community College being in across the road from our high school.
- Dual enrollment/dual credit through NEMCC
- Partnership with Baldwyn School District to allow our students to receive industry certification in Furniture Manufacturing or Advanced Manufacturing with expectation of meaningful employment upon graduation.
- Fast Track Program
- Available for students two years behind age-appropriate placement
- Students participate in a fast pace, intensive semester that allows them to move ahead one grade level.
- Goal: To successfully transition a student from juvenile detention centers back to regular school
- Transitional Program o Offered to students who have not attended school for an extended period due to extenuating circumstances
  - Allows students to acclimate back into the classroom in a smaller setting before returning to their normal school
- Attendance officer site visits who works with Youth Court to avoid truancy
- Teachers preparing students in accordance with Common Core State Standards
- Active participant in youth court proceedings