Emerging Phase
Day 2 Training
Objectives

Review, Reflect, Plan

- Review of Day 1 Next Steps
- Problem Solving Process
- Teaching expectations and behaviors
- Classroom procedures and routines
- Data collection: School Safety Survey
Training Norms

Be Respectful
• Be an attentive listener
• Limit side conversations
• Be open to new ideas
• Keep cell phones on silent

Be Responsible
• Be on time
• Bring materials and required paperwork
• Follow through with responsibilities

Be a Problem Solver
• Ask questions and share ideas
• Be positive about the activities and perspectives
• Be proactive
Housekeeping
Who’s Here?

- **Pair-up** with another participant you do not know or do not know well.
- **Share** – 4 or 5 details about yourself with them
- **Tell** – about your new acquaintance with the group so we all know

Who’s Here!
Seasonal Partners

– Meet and greet a total of four people

– Have one partner for each season

– Each person writes his/her name down on the season’s corresponding line
Rally Interview

• Team meeting norms
• Office discipline referral data
• Social behavior lessons
• Classroom expectations and rules
During Our Time Today

- Why Use a Problem Solving Model?
- Problem Solving Model Steps
- Problem Solving Case Study
- Classroom Procedures and Routines
- Clear Set of Positive Expectations and Behaviors
- Teach Expectations and Behaviors
- Data Based Decision Making
- Acknowledging Appropriate Behavior
Give One to Get One

Complete this stem:

“The problem solving process to me means . . . “
Problem-solving process is needed at many levels of decision-making

• Whole school
• Grade/Classroom
• Unstructured area of school (hallway, playground)
• Individual Student
Why use a Problem Solving Model?

• Problem solving encourages the effective use of data through a 6 step process.
• It is a tool that allows you to focus directly on the problems revealed in your data.
• Aligns your solution to the problem
Improving Decision-Making

Critical Questions: What is the problem? Who is involved? Where is it taking place? When is it taking place? How often?
Positive Behavior Support

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Supporting Decision Making
Problem-Solving Process

1. Identify Outcomes
   “Desired Reality”

2. Identify Problem
   “Current Reality”

3. Analyze Problem
   “Reality Gap”

4. Develop Plan
   Brainstorm
   Prioritize
   Action Plan

5. Implement Plan
   Consistently & With Fidelity

6. Evaluate Plan
   Regularly
   Review & Revise
Step #1 Identify Outcomes

“Desired Reality”

• Begin with **Broad Outcomes**
  – *Mission*
  – *Vision*
  – *CSIP*
  – *SW-PBS Purpose / Goals*
Step #2 Identify Problem
“Current Reality”

• Utilize Current Data Sources
  – Office Disciplinary Referrals (ODRs)
  – Self-Assessment Survey (SAS)
  – School Safety Survey (SSS)
  – Team Implementation Checklist (TIC)
  – Schoolwide Evaluation Tool (SET)
  – School Data Profile (SDP)
  – Action Plan Checklist
  – School Developed Surveys
Step #3 Analyze Problem

“Reality Gap”

Review the data to answer the following questions:

– What is the problem?
– How often is the problem occurring
– When is the problem taking place
– Who is involved in the problem?
– Where is the problem taking place?

• Problem Statement Development
  – Precise
  – Provides “actionable” information
STEP #4 Develop a Plan

A. Brainstorm
B. Prioritize
C. Action Plan
Step #4 Develop a Plan

A. Brainstorming Interventions/Strategies:
   • Quiet think
   • Jot ideas on post-its
   • Sort all post its and group into categories

Interventions/Strategies need to be:
   • Proactive and Preventative
   • Research Based
   • Realistic
Step #4 Develop a Plan

B. Prioritize Interventions/Strategies
   • Implement the smallest change that will result in the largest improvement
   • Think “early wins”
   • SW-PBS Team and staff must quickly and clearly see the impact of change in order to maintain buy-in and sustain their efforts
C. Action Plan

- Goal
- Steps
- Resources
- Timeline
- Evaluation
  - Implementation Fidelity
  - Outcomes
Step #5 Implement the Plan

• Consistently and with Fidelity
• Consider all 7 Essential Components of SW-PBS
• Across ALL Classrooms/Setting
Step #6 Evaluate Plan

Regularly Review and Revise Implementation Fidelity: Did we do what we said we were going to do in the action plan?

Look at these to answer that question:

- Artifacts (e.g., Matrix, Action Plan)
- Surveys (e.g., SAS, TIC, Safety, etc.), checklists, etc.
- Direct Observation (e.g., hallways, classrooms, etc.)
Step #6 Evaluate Plan

Evaluate Outcomes: Did we achieve the intended outcome?

• Office Disciplinary Referrals
• Attendance
• School developed Surveys
• Walk Throughs / Observation

• Communicate Results to Stakeholders
• Re-group, Revise or CELEBRATE!
Case Study

• Identify Outcome “Desired Reality”
• Identify Problem “Current Reality”
• Analyze Problem “Reality Gap”
• Develop a Plan
• Implement the Plan
• Evaluate the Plan
Case Study
Step #1 Identify Outcomes

“Desired Reality”

BROAD-

• Mission Statement – Opportunity’s mission is to help students function in a global society. In an environment of mutual respect and cooperation, students will develop as: critical and creative thinkers, problem solvers, effective communicators, responsible individuals, cooperative citizens and persistent learners.

• CSIP Goal- All students will demonstrate improved personal responsibility and accountability necessary to create a respectful environment at our school by introducing and implementing Positive Behavior Support (PBS)
Case Study
Step #1 Identify Outcomes

“Desired Reality”

Getting More Specific-

• Opportunity Elementary has articulated that PBS provides a unified teaching focus and maximizes efficiency of instructional time

• One PBS Action Plan Step that addresses schoolwide goals within both Common Purpose and Clearly Defined Expectations:
  – All classroom teachers will align classroom expectations and rules with the schoolwide rules of Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Ready
Case Study  Step #2 Identify Problem

“Current Reality”

• PBS Team believes that few classrooms have Expectations and Rules clearly defined, aligned and/or communicated (taught) to students.

• How do they know this?
  – Item Analysis of SSS, SAS, SET,
  – Classroom Syllabi/Lesson Plans
  – Classroom Walk Through
  – Administrative processing with referred students
  – SW-PBS Team Developed Survey
SW-PBS Team Developed a Problem Statement:

• After 1 year of SW-PBS implementation approximately 40% of classroom teachers have not consistently tied expectations and rules for their classroom to the SW-PBS expectations and rules, and/or have not consistently communicated or taught the classroom expectations and rules to all students.
Case Study
Step #4 Develop a Plan

Brainstorm

• Barriers...why is this happening?
  – Teachers may not know how to align their classroom expectations and rules to the schoolwide expectations and rules.
  – Teacher resistance
  – Others...
Case Study

Step #4 Develop a Plan

*Brainstorm*

• Interventions / Strategies...how can we move toward our goal?
  – Sharing data
  – Administrative support
  – Use mini modules to provide training on how to align expectations and rules during staff meeting or beginning of year meetings
  – Example classroom rules
  – Recognition to teachers who have complied
  – Other...
Case Study

Step #4 Develop a Plan

Prioritize

• What is the smallest change that will give our school the biggest meaningful outcome? (...an “early win”)

Use mini modules to provide training on how to align expectations and rules during staff meeting or beginning of year meetings.
Case Study
Step #4 Develop a Plan
Action Plan

• **Goal:** All classroom teachers will align classroom rules with the schoolwide expectations of, *Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Ready* and post them

• **Steps:** *What?* Use mini modules to provide training on how to align expectations and rules during staff meeting

• **Resources:** *WHO?* SWPBS Coaches will present the mini module at the faculty meeting.

• **Timeline:** *When?* October 14th

• **Evaluation Measure:** Principal will conduct a walk through in each classroom to see if the rules are posted and aligned
Step #5 Implement the Plan

• The Coaches presented the mini module on October 14th at the faculty meeting.
• The teachers were given the rule worksheet to create their rules
• They partner shared to make sure their rules aligned to the expectations
• The rules were posted and taught in their classrooms
Case Study
Step #6 Evaluate the Plan

• The principal conducted the walk throughs in each classroom

• The data from the walk through was tallied to see if rules were posted in at least 85% of the classrooms

***Celebration took place at faculty meeting in November!!!! (over 85% had rules posted that aligned with SW expectations)
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   • Classroom PBS
   • Culturally Responsive Practices

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Let’s Practice Using your Data

1. Review current action plan checklist and/or current ODR data
2. Work through steps 1-6 of the problem solving process using your data
3. Complete problem solving worksheet

Handout 2: Problem Solving Process Worksheet
Handout 3: Big 5 Data Review Guide template (or schools use the one they brought)
Problem Solving Process Big Ideas

• Use DATA to Drive Problem Solving
• Follow a Consistent Process
• Smallest Change for Largest Improvement
• Implementation Fidelity
• Communicate, Communicate, Communicate
• CELEBRATE!
Effective Classroom Practice: Procedures & Routines

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Newcomer, 2008
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Classroom Procedures & Routines

Identify, Teach, Practice, Reinforce
Why Focus on Classroom Procedures and Routines?

• Effective teaching includes teaching functional routines and procedures to students at the beginning of the year and using these routines to efficiently move through the school day. (Leinhardt, Weidman, & Hammond, 1987)

• As students become more familiar with classroom routines and procedures, additional instructional formats and more challenging work can be incorporated. (Evertson, Emmer & Worsham, 2003; Good & Brophy, 2003)
What Are Procedures & Routines?

- Procedures explain the accepted process for carrying out a specific activity, such as walking in the hallway, using lockers, sharpening pencils, attending an assembly, going to the restroom.

- Classroom procedures are patterns for accomplishing classroom tasks.

- Procedures form routines that help students meet expectations stated in the rules.
What Are Procedures & Routines?

• Procedures should be succinct, positively stated and in age-appropriate terms
• Keep “Who, what, when, where, why, and how” in mind
• Clear procedures, taught and consistently enforced are the most critical tool to create a functional and productive learning environment

Handout 9: Classroom Procedures and Routines Fact Sheet
Elementary Example

• Lining Up
  – Sit quietly when you hear the signal
  – Neatly place books and materials in your desk
  – Quietly stand when your name (or row) is called
  – Push your chair under your desk
  – Quietly walk to the line
  – Stand with your hands at your sides, facing forward, no talking
Elementary Example

• Learning Position
  – Sit with your bottom on your chair
  – Sit with your legs under your desk
  – Keep both feet on the floor
  – Look at the teacher when he or she talks to the class
  – Keep your materials on top of your desk
Elementary Example

• During Lessons
  – Sit in a learning position
  – Raise your hand for a turn to talk, if you have a question or if you need help
  – Wait for the teacher to come to you
  – Finish all of your work
  – Read your book if you finish your work early
  – Take restroom or water breaks during independent time
Secondary Example

• **Class Discussion**
  – Prepare for discussion by reading the required assignment in advance
  – Wait until the other person is finished speaking before you talk
  – Stay on topic
  – Respect other’s opinions and contributions
  – Use appropriate expressions of disagreement
Secondary Example

• Entering the Classroom
  – Enter the classroom before the bell rings
  – Take your seat and get out the materials you need for class
  – Talk quietly until the bell rings
  – Stop talking and be ready to listen when the bell rings
Secondary Example

• Turning in Assignments
  – The last person in each row pass their paper to the person in front of them
  – The next person does the same until the papers reach the first person in each row
  – The first person in each row passes papers to the right
  – The first person in the last row places all papers in the basket on the teacher’s desk
Writing Procedures to Develop Routines

• Make a list of every task a student does in the classroom
• Determine the desired outcome
• Decide how students need to complete the task
• Consider what errors students are likely to make
• Consider problem areas or problem times...often a well designed routine can smooth things out
Procedure Writing Activity

1. Specifically consider problem areas/times in your classroom.

2. Select tasks from the Routines Self-Assessment handout which apply to your setting.

3. Write steps for completing each task. (these are your procedures & routines)

Handout 10: Classroom Procedures and Routines Self Assessment
Schedule for Teaching Classroom Procedures

• First Grading Period
  – Teach rules and procedures for all areas of school, *including individual classrooms*, during first week of school
    • Provide opportunities for review and practice
    • Provide frequent reinforcement/acknowledgement
  – After first week, review rules and procedures 2 or 3 times per week
    • Rapid pace, oral review during first or last few minutes of class
    • Surprise quizzes about procedures for extra credit points
    • Divide into teams, ask questions about rules and procedures, award points
Schedule for Teaching Classroom Procedures

• Second Grading Period
  – Review rules and procedures once per week

• Remainder of the Year
  – Review rules and procedures periodically as needed
• IRIS Center, *Research to Practice Instructional Strategies*. Nashville: Vanderbilt University.
Activity

Planned Communication

• With your team, or table partners, use the Problem Solving Method to answer:
  – How will this information be disseminated?
  – Who should receive this information?
  – How should this information be shared?
  – Who will share this information?
  – When should this information be shared?
  – How will we receive feedback from stakeholders?
Out to Lunch!

Time to Network with other School!
Clear Set of Positive Expectations and Behaviors
Displaying and Publicizing Expectations and Behaviors

“BIG, BOLD and BEAUTIFUL”
Partner Share

• Now that the Schoolwide Matrix is in place, how will you make it visible?

  – Where will the expectations and behaviors be posted in the building?
  – What activities (e.g. assemblies, meetings, etc.) have been developed to share the expectations and behaviors with staff, students and family members?
  – How will family and community members be informed?
Guidelines for Signage

- 3 to 5 Expectations
- Post at age appropriate level
- Use posters with Common language to reinforce consistency
- Positively stated
- Correct Spelling
- Understandable Language
- Size
- Location
- Post in all settings
EXPECTATIONS...

Be Safe

Be Responsible

Be Respectful
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| **Respect Everyone** | - Practice good table manners
|                      | - Clean up after yourself
|                      | - Wait your turn                              |
| **Respect Education**| - Use extra time appropriately                |
| **Respect Environment**| - Recycle
|                      | - Please pick up around your area
|                      | - Wash off dirty tables
|                      | - Dispose of garbage before dismissal         |
In the Hallway, I am...

**Safe:**
1. Walk in a single file line.

**Respectful:**
1. Walk quietly so others can continue learning.
2. Keep hands, body, and objects to self.

**A Responsible Learner:**
1. Return to class promptly after an errand or changing classes.

Our school has safe, respectful, and responsible learners who allow teachers to teach and students to learn.
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Additional Supports

- Signage of expectations and behaviors are posted in each appropriate setting
- Procedures developed to provide instruction to **new** faculty, staff and students
Once you have developed school-wide expectations, it is not enough to just post the words on the walls ...

YOU MUST TEACH THEM!
Teach Expectations and Behaviors
Every time any adult interacts with any student, it is an instructional moment

- Teach social behaviors just like academics
- Model behavior
- Reinforce all positive behavior
- Pre-correct for positive behaviors

--Steve Romano, Illinois PBIS Technical Assistance Director
Why Have a System for Teaching Behavior?

• Behaviors are prerequisites for academics
• Procedures and routines create structure
• Repetition is key to learning new skills:
  • For a child to *learn something new*, it needs to be repeated on average of 8 times
  • For a child to *unlearn* an old behavior and replace with a new behavior, the new behavior must be repeated on average 28 times.

--Harry Wong
The Top 7 Skills Students Need to be Successful in School

1. Listening
2. Follow Directions
3. Stay on Task
4. How to get help
5. Ability to get started
6. Finish on time
7. Word Attack

-Rick Lavoie
The “Hidden Curriculum”

• Classroom Management curriculum is not discussed at curriculum meetings.
• Social Behavior are not addressed in daily lesson plans.
• Dealing with social behaviors require more time and energy than any other subject.
• Teachers cannot teach academics effectively until they can establish an effective learning environment.
If we understand that behavioral skills are learned, it is necessary to teach expected behaviors as we would academic skills.
Components of an Effective Lesson Plan

1. Teach/Clarify
2. Show
3. Practice
4. Feedback
5. Reteach
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Systems for Teaching Expectations

• Beginning of the school year – Kickoff
• Provide initial lesson plans and/or lesson plan format for teachers to begin teaching behavior
• Develop a system for expanding behavior lesson plan ideas throughout the year

Share your ideas with a partner
Samples of Systems for Teaching Expectations

- Teach a lesson, every week, all year
- Announce daily the “Skill of the Week
- Each month your teachers focus on teaching one expectation during homeroom or advisory
- Divide responsibility for writing and distributing the weekly social skill lessons
- Distribute lessons to teachers on Thursday to plan for the next week
- Keep lessons in a binder in the teacher workroom

Handout 6: Social behavior teaching schedule
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## Action Plan Checklist

| In Place |  
|-----------|---|
| **Essential Component #4: Procedures for Teaching Expected Behavior** | Yes | No |
| Agreement by > 80% faculty and staff |  |  |
| Taught to staff (using established process) |  |  |
| Communicated to stakeholders (ex: families, community members, district administrators) |  |  |
Thoughts to Ponder:

There will be times when we all need a more intensive refresher across campus.  
When might those times be?  
What will the format booster training look like?  
How will you introduce/teach new students and staff?
Data Based Decision Making
Data Based Review of Teaching

- School Safety Survey
- Team Implementation Checklist
- Schoolwide Evaluation Tool
- Self Assessment Survey

Handout 7: Opportunity Elementary Data-Based Review of Schoolwide Teaching of Matrix Behaviors
Handout 8: Data-based Review of Schoolwide Teaching of Matrix Behaviors
Using Data to Make Decisions about Teaching

School-wide discipline data trends show the spikes in problem behaviors.

**Boosters** are activities intended to *increase student attention and motivation* to follow the school-wide expectations during these more difficult months.
Thoughts to Ponder . . .
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1. When might those times be?
2. What will the format of “booster” training look like?
3. How will you introduce/teach the expectations and behaviors to new students and staff?
DATA IS YOUR FRIEND!
This is your school’s baseline data. In which months do you think your school should consider a booster training?
What expectation should your school focus on teaching next month?
Keeping in mind that you need to teach students the behaviors where they typically occur, in what locations on campus do students need a “refresher”? **Referrals By Location**

![Graph showing referrals by location](image_url)
Sample Booster Sessions

Respect looks like this in the:

• Classroom   1/4/09
• Classroom   1/5/09
• Playground   1/6/09
• Playground   1/7/09
• Library      1/8/09
• Bus          1/11/09
Sample Booster Session (cont.)

Safe looks like this in the:

- Classroom  1/12/09
- Classroom  1/13/09
- Playground 1/14/09
- Playground 1/15/09
- Library    1/18/09
- Bus        1/19/09
Partner Share: Booster Schedule

• Where are you in the process of planning booster sessions to review the matrix behaviors for the 09-10 school year?

• Looking at your data, what behaviors and settings do you think may need to be emphasized in each booster session?
Potential Staff Concerns

• Lack of consistency in the implementation of SWPBS throughout the building.

• Lack of professional development time with teachers to train on how to conduct SWPBS Booster(s).
Suggestions for teachers

• Model lessons for teachers who continue to struggle
  – Example: School counselors could go into classrooms to model teaching expectations

• What else? Brainstorm ideas!
Suggestions

• Provide frequent training opportunities for staff.

• Staff creation and/or revision of lesson plans to correlate with content area or individual classroom.

• Use of experts within/outside of school to explain the components and benefits of SWPBS.

• Regular staff and grade level/content area team meetings.

• Share data with staff on a regular basis
Effective Classroom Practice: Strategies to Acknowledge Appropriate Behavior

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Newcomer, 2008
Classroom Strategies to Acknowledge Appropriate Behavior
Why Acknowledge Appropriate Classroom Behavior?

Effective acknowledgment ...

• Can increase
  – on-task behavior,
  – correct responses, work productivity and accuracy,
  – attention and compliance
  – cooperative play

• Foster intrinsic motivation to learn which comes from mastering tasks

• Have vicarious effect with benefits that may be long lasting

(Conroy et al., 2009; Kern & Clemens, 2007; Simonsen et al., 2008)
Example Strategies to Acknowledge Appropriate Behavior

Examples…

• Verbal praise
• Thumbs up, high five
• Token economy
• Notes/phone calls home or to principal
• Student of the hour/day/week
• Special privileges earned through group contingency
Acknowledging Appropriate Behavior

Effective strategies are ….

• Clear and specific
• Contingent on desired behavior
• Applied immediately
• Teacher initiated
• Focus on improvement and effort
Acknowledging Appropriate Behavior

Effective strategies ….
• Provided frequently during acquisition
• Fade as skill develops
• Avoid comparison/competition across children
• Sincere and appropriate for student’s age
• Includes hierarchy of alternatives

(Conroy et al., 2009; Kern & Clemens, 2007)
Acknowledging Appropriate Behavior

Classroom Continuum:

• Level 1 = Free and Frequent
  – Use everyday in the classroom

• Level 2 = Intermittent
  – Awarded occasionally

• Level 3 = Strong and Long Term
  – Quarterly or year long types of recognition
# Classroom Continuum of Strategies

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Handout 1
Classroom Continuum to Acknowledge Appropriate Behavior

• If a school wide system of recognition is already in place why is it important to also develop a classroom continuum of recognition?

• Give examples of how a classroom plan for acknowledging appropriate behavior might align with a school wide system of recognition.

• What response can you give to faculty who say it’s cumbersome or too much work to implement both a school wide system and a classroom system of recognition?
References

Activity

Planned Communication

• Add to your earlier information from Mini-Module 2 concerning How and When will Mini-Module 3 be used. Use the Problem Solving Method!
Data Collection

- School Safety Survey results
- School Data Profile opens October 1st and closes November 13th.

Handout 11: Essential Questions for School Safety Planning
Handout 12: Directions for Accessing School Safety Survey results
Action Planning

Take time to review your:

• Action Plan Checklist
• School Safety Survey results
• ODR data 08-09, 09-10

• What are some steps your team might take to address the data?

Handout 13: Action Plan Template
Next Steps

• Make setting specific expectation/behavior signs *(if not in place already)*
• Collect and analyze Big 5 ODR data using Problem Solving Process
• Schedule booster sessions based on ODR data
• Complete on-line School Data Profile
• Analyze School Safety Survey results as a team
• Present mini-module on classroom procedures and routines
Announcements

- Summer Institute: June 7-9 Holiday Inn - Columbia
- TIC – 1/4 - 1/23
- Minutes/ODR’s – 1/22
- SET Training: 12/4 – Register by 11/23
- Next Meeting: 1/27 – Register by 1/15
- Informal HS Round Table Discussion - 2/18
- Informal SWPBS Round Table Discussion - 2/24
  And in St. Louis on 4/29
- 7th Internal Conference on Positive Behavior Supports—March 25-27, 2010, St. Louis, MO
Networking Time