Implementation of Positive Behavior Intervention and Support: Project LINK Teaming and LINK2K

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If a child doesn’t know how to read, we teach.
If a child doesn’t know how to swim, we teach.
If a child doesn’t know how to multiply, we teach.
If a child doesn’t know how to drive, we teach.
If a child doesn’t know how to behave, we teach?....punish?
Why can’t we finish the last sentence as automatically as we do the others?

-Tom Herner

(NASDSE President 1998)
What is PBIS?

“Implementation framework for maximizing the selection and use of evidence-based prevention and intervention practices along a multi-tiered continuum that supports the academic, social, emotional, and behavioral competence of all students.”

-OSEP (Office of Special Education Programs) National Technical Center of PBIS Center
Project Linked Teaming

- Project Link Teaming originated from the State Personnel Development Grant, (SPDG).
- SPDG is a competitive 5-year federal grant, which was awarded in October 2017 by the Office of Special Education (OSEP).
- Receiving this grant provides an opportunity for KDE to partner with monitored districts to strengthen systems in order to improve student outcomes.
After the Corrective Action Plan (CAP) has been issued to the district:

- Project Link Teaming KDE liaison collaborates with the CAP lead and the Director of Special Education (DoSE).
- A face-to-face meeting is scheduled with district leaders, and including the Regional Cooperative DoSE.
- Technical assistance (TA) is provided for addressing systemic issues through the use of implementation science.
Supports provided through Project Link Teaming include:

- Developing an effective teaming structure
- Support districts with data analysis by including positive behavior intervention and supports (PBIS) fidelity and discipline data.
- PBIS coaching/training at school level, if needed.

Additional support is tailored to the needs of the district.
Support continues for the duration of the CAP timeline (one year)

At the close of the CAP, the district has an opportunity to continue TA if they choose.
LINK2K

- LINK2K project has been recently introduced in year 2 of the SPDG funding.

The Vision:
- Bridging behavioral supports from Kindergarten to preschool
- Supporting the implementation of Positive Behavior Intervention and Support (PBIS) in Preschool

This will be accomplished by working with Regional Training Center’s (RTC’s) behavior support staff.
Link2K Behaviors

- Behaviors often seen in the Kindergarten setting, originated in the early childhood classroom settings.
Linked Implementation Teams

“Everyone can see they have a role to play”

Kentucky Family Advocate
Things to know about LINK2K

- LINK2K is in Phase 1 of development which includes:
  - Establishment of Regional and State teams
  - On-boarding behavior support staff
  - Exploration of PBIS preschool models
  - Implementation Science training
Questions or Comments
Now..... last activity!

Have a wonderful day!
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