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Goal is to improve conditions for learning in schools through measurement and program implementation, so that all students have the opportunity to realize academic success in safe and supportive environments.

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New Stop Bullying Website Launched

State in Focus
California
The California Department of Education (CDE) has posted 2010-2011 School Climate Report Cards (SCRC) for eligible high schools from districts participating in the Safe and Supportive Schools (S3) initiative. View report cards on CDE's School Climate Report Card website.

Voices from the Field
How receptive is your school community to implementing school climate improvements?

Take Poll

See what others think Learn what experts think Share your experiences

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Technical Assistance
Need help improving the conditions for learning in your school, district, or state? Get Help

Upcoming Events
Implementation Webinar Series: Implementing New Programs—The Impact of Current Practice
May 23, 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm ET
May 24, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm ET
Learn More

Research
U.S. DOJ study reveals that school officials are more likely to learn of child victimization than police or medical authorities. Access Report

CRDC data from the Office for Civil Rights reveal that minority students face harsher discipline, have less access to rigorous high school curricula, and are more often taught by lower-paid and less experienced teachers. Access Data

News Clips
Adult Action Needed to Address Bullying
May 18, 2012
Adult Action Needed to Address Bullying
For example, recent studies show that more than 50% of school-bus drivers believe bullying is a serious problem on their bus. First Student, the nation’s largest provider of school-bus transportation, launched a “See Something, Do Something” campaign to empower drivers and attendants to establish an environment of respect on the bus, recognize signs of bullying, and take immediate action.

Read Story
Polling Question #1

Which of the following best describes your current role?

- State Education Personnel
- District or School Administrator
- Teacher or School Support Staff
- Community or Family Representative
- Student
- Researcher
- Other
Polling Question #2

At what level of the implementation process are you currently?

- Currently implementing a new program
- About to implement a new program
- Starting to plan for implementing a new program
- Planning to share information with others who are implementing or planning to implement a new program
Implementing New Programs – The Impact of Current Practice
Sara Truebridge, Ed.D., Education Consultant
Lori Stern, Safe and Supportive Schools Consultant, WI Dept. of Public Instruction
Christopher Laue, Principal, Parker High School
Implementation Webinar Series

1. Using Data to Identify Programmatic Interventions (December 2011)
2. Effective Planning Strategies for Program Implementation (February/March 2012)
3. Implementing New Programs
4. Evaluating Program Implementation
5. Communicating Impact of Program Implementation

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Agenda

1. Wisconsin’s Efforts in Implementing New Programs for Safe and Supportive Schools (Lori Stern & Christopher Laue)
   - Approach to Change (Sara Truebridge)
   - Understanding and Realities About Change (Sara Truebridge)
   - What Does Change Look Like? (Sara Truebridge)
   - Resources (Sara Truebridge)
Wisconsin’s Safe and Supportive Schools Grant Program

Lori Stern, S3 Consultant, WI Dept. of Public Instruction
Chris Laue, Principal, Parker High School
Wisconsin Objectives

- Improve student safety and school climate
- Reduce the use of punitive discipline (suspensions and expulsions)
- Increase the level of positive engagement between students and school staff

“Every Child a Graduate” – State Superintendent Tony Evers
Wisconsin Public School Students and Statistics

- 870,000 students enrolled in public schools in 426 districts
- “Local Control” State (No Education Secretary or State School Board)
- 4-year cohort graduation rate of 85.7%
- Significant “achievement gap” for minority students and students who are economically disadvantaged
Large Districts

- 7 districts enroll 187,000 of 870,000 students or 21.49% of public school students.
12 additional districts invited to participate in project due to high RATES of suspension and expulsion.
Data Analysis

- Disproportionate use of punitive discipline
- YRBS results disaggregated to reflect population at greater risks for a variety of behaviors
- Interventions selected based upon data
Training and Technical Assistance

- PBIS (administrative overview, team tier training, TA)
- Freshman Transition Support (Link Crew)
- Motivational Interviewing/Brief Interventions
- Bullying Prevention (Wisconsin DPI Program)
Janesville Public Schools Experience

- George S. Parker High School (Christopher Laue-Principal)
- Joseph A. Craig High School (Alison Spiegel-Principal)
- PBIS Framework
- Selected Interventions
If you have a question for the presenter, please type it in the Q & A Pane or email sssta@air.org.
When New Programmatic Efforts Are Inserted Into Existing Organizational Realities

Sara Truebridge, Ed.D., Education Consultant
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Approach
Form and Function
Deficit-Based vs. Strength-Based
Form Follows Function

It is the pervading law of all things organic and inorganic, of all things physical and metaphysical, of all things human and all things superhuman, of all true manifestations of the head, of the heart, of the soul, that the life is recognizable in its expression, that form ever follows function. This is the law.

-Louis Sullivan (1986)
What Do You See?

1. Duck  or  2. Rabbit

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# Approach: Deficit-Based vs. Strengths-Based

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What is Appreciative Inquiry?

- Is an approach to make organizational change.
- Leverages organizations’ best qualities toward change.
- Assumes organizations move in the direction of what you ask about.
- Represents an art and practice of asking powerfully positive questions.
- Links inspiring accounts of peak experiences to a change agenda.
Using an Appreciative Inquiry Approach to Change

Appreciative Inquiry operates from the following assumptions:

- In every organization, group, or individual something works and can be valued.
- What we focus on becomes the reality we create.
- The language we use creates our reality.
- The act of asking a question begins the change.
- People have more confidence to journey to the future when they carry forward the best parts of the past.
The Art of the Question

**Deficit-Based**
- What’s the biggest problem here?
- Why do you mess up so often?
- Why do we still have those problems?
- Why does everything go wrong all the time?

**Strengths-Based**
- What possibilities exist that we have not thought about yet?
- What’s the smallest change that could make the biggest impact?
- What solutions would have us all win?
- What makes my questions inspiring, energizing, and mobilizing?
Polling Question #3

How would you describe the culture of your school/district/organization?

- Deficit-Based
- Strength-Based
- Combination of both
Understanding and Realities of Change
Change
Change in an Existing School Culture
Understandings and Realities: Change

Change Theory: Some References to Research

David Cooperrider
- Appreciative Inquiry

Everett M. Rogers
- Diffusion of Innovation and the Change Process

Michael Fullan
- School Reform

Don Ely
- Eight Conditions Before Implementing Change

Hall & Hord
- Concerns Based Adoption Model (CBAM)
Diffusion of Innovation and the Change Process

- **Diffusion** is the process by which an innovation is communicated through certain channels over time among the members of a social system. Diffusion is a special type of communication concerned with the spread of messages that are perceived as new ideas.

- **An innovation** is an idea, practice, or object that is perceived as new by an individual or other unit of adoption. The characteristics of an innovation, as perceived by the members of a social system, determine its rate of adoption.
Diffusion of Innovation and the Change Process

**Adopter Types:**

- Innovator
- Early Adopters
- Early Majority
- Late Majority
- Laggards

Understandings and Realities: Change

Dissemination and Diffusion

**Dissemination** – Distribution or circulation of information and content.

**Diffusion** – Process by which recipients are mobilized to learn and use what has been disseminated.
Understandings and Realities: Change

Dissemination Strategies

- Credibility of content and sender
- Access
- Target audiences
- Personalize
- Succinct overview
- Use of networks
- Encourage sharing
- Follow-up
Dissemination and distribution strategies should be designed to enhance the perceptions of:

- Benefits
- Compatibility
- Usability
- Evidence of impact
- Trialability
Concerns-Based Adoption Model (CBAM)
CBAM is a model for understanding, evaluating, and leading change processes.

Two important kinds of assessment information CBAM provides are:

1. Concerns of the individual about whatever new programs, products, or ideas (innovations) are being offered, delivered, or implemented.

2. Individuals’ knowledge of and how they use these innovations.
CBAM…

- is a **PROCESS**, not an event.
- happens with **INDIVIDUALS** first, then institutions.
- is a highly **PERSONAL** experience.
- entails **DEVELOPMENTAL** growth in feelings and skills.
The Six Secrets of Change - Fullan (2008)

1. Love Your Employees
2. Connect Peers with Purpose
3. Capacity Building Prevails
4. Learning Is the Work
5. Transparency Rules
6. Systems Learn
8 Conditions that Influence the Success of Implementing Innovations - Don Ely (1999, 1990a)

- 1. *Dissatisfaction with the status quo*: An emotional discomfort that results from perceiving the current method as inefficient or ineffective. This condition does not have as much influence as the other seven.

- 2. *Knowledge and Skills*: An assessment of the current level of skills and knowledge of the product users. Ely reports that this condition consistently ranks as one of the most influential condition among the eight.
8 Conditions that Influence the Success of Implementing Innovations (cont’d)

3. **Adequate Resources**: The amount of resources currently available to successfully implement the innovation. Resources include finances, hardware, software and personnel.

4. **Adequate Time**: Adequate time and compensated time for users to become educated and skilled in how to use the innovation. This condition refers not only to the organization's willingness to provide time but the users' willingness to devote learning time for implementation.
8 Conditions that Influence the Success of Implementing Innovations (cont’d)

5. *Rewards or Incentives*: The existence of incentives that motivate users to employ the innovation, or rewards provided by the organization for those who do use the innovation.

6. *Participation*: The involvement of key stakeholders in decision that involve planning and design of the innovation. The condition refers to all stakeholders but emphasizes the participation of product users.
8 Conditions that Influence the Success of Implementing Innovations (cont’d)

7. **Commitment**: The perception by users that the powerbrokers of the organization (i.e. Presidents, CEO, Vice Presidents) actively support the implementation of the innovation.

8. **Leadership**: An active involvement by immediate supervisors in assisting the users in implementing the innovation. This includes providing support and encouragement to users, as well as role modeling use of the innovation.
Issues and Reactions around Change and/or Implementing Programs within Existing Practices

- Resistance to change
- Takes time
- Power of voice ("buy in" vs. empowerment)
- Communication
- Process (ongoing reflection and collaboration at all levels)
- Framing ("add on" vs. embedding)
School culture can be defined as the historically transmitted patterns of meaning that include the norms, values, beliefs, ceremonies, rituals, traditions, and myths understood, maybe in varying degrees, by members of the school community (Stolp and Smith 1994). This system of meaning often shapes what people think and how they act.
What do we mean by school culture?

**Things to consider:**

- Classroom/school/district
- What are you trying to implement and into what culture? Classroom/school/district?
- Stand-alone programs vs. integration of practices and programs
- School culture vs. School climate
- What enables high quality use of programs and practices that promote positive school culture?
- Roles and responsibilities
- Leadership
- Cycles of continuous learning for all
• **Positive school culture:** A place with a shared sense of what is important, a shared ethos of caring and concern and a shared commitment to helping students learn.

• **Negative school culture:** Places where negativity dominates conversations, interactions, and planning; where the only stories recounted are of failure.
Polling Question #4

How would you characterize your school’s/organization’s overall attitude regarding change?

- Deeply committed: Our school community has a long track record of making change or improvements.
- Somewhat committed: We have made some changes successfully, but have not made comprehensive changes.
- Sporadically committed: The changes we've tried haven't lasted.
- Well-intentioned: We talk a lot about it, but have not initiated changes.
- Resistant: Our school has been resistant to making change.
Questions?

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What Does Change Look Like?

Foundation of Appreciative Inquiry
4 D’s of Appreciative Inquiry
Ap-pre’ci-ate (verb)

- Valuing; the act of recognizing the best in people or the world around us; affirming past and present strengths, successes, and potentials; to perceive those things that give life (health, vitality, excellence) to living systems
- To increase in value, e.g. the economy has appreciated in value
In-quire’ (kwir) (verb)

- The act of exploration and discovery
- To ask questions; to be open to seeing new potentials and possibilities
Appreciative Inquiry

- **Strategy for intentional change**
  - Identifies the best of “what is” and possibilities of “what could be”

- **Process for engaging people**
  - Choose consciously to seek out inquiry into that which is generative and life enriching
  - Engage people to build an organization in which they want to work

- **Way of seeing**
  - Attentive to and affirming of the best and highest qualities
Capitalize on your strengths and manage around your weaknesses.
What Does This Look Like: 4 D’s of Appreciative Inquiry

**Discover**
“What gives life?”
(The best of what is)

**Deliver**
“How to empower, learn, and actualize/improvise?”

**Design**
“What should be - the ideal?”

**Dream**
“What might be?”

The “4-D Cycle”

**Discover**
Appreciating

**Deliver**
Sustaining

**Design**
Co-constructing

**Dream**
Envisioning Results

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1. DISCOVER

Describe a time when you successfully implemented a new practice or program. It should be a time when you felt most alive and most effective. Tell the story.

Where are we? What are we doing that works well?
What Does This Look Like: 4 D’s of Appreciative Inquiry

AREAS TO EXPLORE

- Philosophy
- Mission
- Values
- Commitment and effort
- Non-negotiable
- Voice
- Alignment:
  among and between classrooms/school(s)/district?

- Roles and Responsibilities
- Leadership
- Cycles of continuous learning/PD for all
- Administration
- Teachers
- Staff
- School
- District
- Parents
2. DREAM

It is two years in the future and you are proud of how you have integrated programs, approaches and practices. What does this look and feel like? What institutional and personal strengths are you drawing upon? What kinds of things are you learning to better support yourself and these efforts?
3. DESIGN

*Implementation of this Future Vision*

Reflect on how you are implementing this future vision. What stands out as an area(s) you would like to build upon or strengthen? What are the areas you feel could have the most impact on moving forward? What are the areas that you feel you need the most support to reach this dream? What small changes could you make right now that would really support how you would like to move forward?
What Does This Look Like: 4 D’s of Appreciative Inquiry

AREAS TO EXPLORE

- Understanding of school climate
- Curriculum and standards/experiences
- Coordination and collaboration
- Roles and responsibilities
- Dedication and alignment of resources including budget and staffing
- Accountability

- Integration with other initiatives/programs/practices
- Develop long-term plans
- Additional tools for Planning and Implementation
- Build capacity—internal and external
- Roles and responsibilities
AREAS TO EXPLORE (cont’d)

- Leadership
- Administration
- Teachers
- Support Staff
- School
- District
- Parents
- Collaboration and cycles of continuous learning/PD for all

- How do you set up the environment—classroom/school/district
- Colleague support
- Workplace environment
- Modeling
- Consistent messaging/alignment
- Development and Alignment with standards/experiences/other programs/philosophy
What Does This Look Like: 4 D’s of Appreciative Inquiry

4. DESTINY

How do we learn, actualize and improvise?

- Recognize the evidence/assessment results.
  - Formative
  - Summative
- Celebrate successes.
- Reflect on why implementation was successful or why it was impeded.
- Identify next steps (e.g., professional development, professional learning communities).
A school doesn’t change until the individuals within it change.

- Change is learning; it’s that simple.
- Successful change starts and ends at the individual level.
- Be patient & supportive, yet firm in maintaining momentum. The rate of change coupled with skills and competencies will vary individually.
- Change will be grasped quickly by some, in time by others, and avoided by a few.
“Reforms that strive for educational excellence are likely to fail unless they are meaningfully linked to the school's unique culture.”
Polling Question #5

Which is the biggest **obstacle** to change within your school/organization?

- Leadership
- Staff
- Resources (e.g., $, time)
- External forces (e.g., policy, community)
Polling Question #6

Which is the biggest strength to change within your school/organization?

- Leadership
- Staff
- Resources (e.g., $, time)
- External forces (e.g., policy, community)
Resources

- Appreciative Inquiry Commons [http://appreciativeinquiry.cwru.edu/](http://appreciativeinquiry.cwru.edu/)
- Center for Improving School Culture [www.schoolculture.net](http://www.schoolculture.net)
- Change Forces: Education in Motion [www.michaelfullan.ca/resource_assets/Keynote2006.pdf](http://www.michaelfullan.ca/resource_assets/Keynote2006.pdf) [www.michaelfullan.ca](http://www.michaelfullan.ca)
Resources

- Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning (CASEL), [www.casel.org](http://www.casel.org)

- Concerns-based Adoption Model [http://www.sedl.org/cbam/](http://www.sedl.org/cbam/)
  - [www.concernsbasedsystems.com](http://www.concernsbasedsystems.com)
  - Email: genecbamhall@gmail.com

- National School Climate Center (formerly the center for Social and Emotional Education (CSEE) [www.schoolclimate.org](http://www.schoolclimate.org)

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Voice what you think and have experienced! The Safe and Supportive Schools Website has a new feature called *Voices from the Field*.

Register soon! The Center’s next webinar will be in June and focused on identifying evidence based programs to address bullying.

Coming soon! The Center will soon be releasing discussion guides to accompany webinars to help participants operationalize ideas shared during presentations.
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