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## Foundational Supports Which Promote Positive Conditions for Learning

- Physical and Emotional Health and Safety
  - Healthy learning environments
  - o Welcoming, safe school climate
  - Access to food and other basic needs
  - Restorative circles
- Belonging, Connection and Support
  - Active student and family engagement
  - Advisories/meetings to build community
  - Enrichment and clubs
  - Positive peer connections
- Academic Challenge and Engagement
  - Access to tech and internet
  - Learning supports
  - Project-based learning
  - Credit recovery opportunities
  - Internships/community service
  - Alternative scheduling options
- Adult and Student Well-Being and Emotional Competence
  - Restorative check-ins
  - Access to health care and mental health supports
  - o Trauma-informed practice
  - Staff self-care

### Tier 1 Universal Supports

- Clear, concise and consistent communication about schedules and expectations
- Routines, rituals and celebrations related to attendance and engagement
- Personalized communication to families when students are absent
- Recognition of good and improved attendance
- Impact of attendance on whole child widely understood
- Connection to a caring adult in the school
- Every child and their family encouraged to develop a success plan that includes attention to attendance

### Tier 2 Early Intervention

- Common community and school barriers identified and addressed
- Individualized student success plan that includes attention to attendance
- Attendance strategies added to IEP
- Family visit
- Mentors
  - Success Mentors
  - Peer Group Connections

- Intensive tutoring
- Check-In/Check-Out (CICO)
- Expanded learning opportunities
- Small group interventions and supports for students
- Restorative alternatives to discipline and suspension

### Tier 3 Intensive Intervention

- Educational support champions / advocates
- Interagency case management
- Housing stability supports
- Student attendance review board
- Community-based, non-criminal truancy court
- Individualized learning and success plan leading to graduation
- Legal Intervention (as a last resort)

# **More on Chronic Absence**

- The Problem
- Addressing Chronic Absence
- Success Stories
- Attendance Policy During the Covid-19 Pandemic