

Schalmont High School

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Engaging Students through Curriculum and Connections



Topics

- ❑ The Research Perspective
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- ❑ Student Choice and Interest
- ❑ The Home–School Connection
- ❑ Classroom Engagement
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The Research Perspective

- ❑ What is chronic absenteeism?
 - ❑ Missing 10% or more days of school = two days a month, or 18 total absences
- ❑ 2020–2021 School Year – 10.1 Billion students were chronically absent nationwide
- ❑ Includes excused and unexcused absences
 - ❑ Many student with chronic absenteeism have excused absences

The Attendance Connection

- Research and school performance data shows there is a direct correlation between academic performance and school attendance
- Research and studies show that increased engagement can improve attendance and performance

How do we improve engagement? Which in turn will improve attendance.

Interdisciplinary Approaches

- ◆ Creative Writing and Drawing & Painting
- ◆ Alternative Education – SS and English



Student Choice and Interest

Course offerings aligned with choice and credit requirements

- Everyday Physics
- Real World Chemistry
- PE Units of Study
- Topics in Geometry
- Topics in Algebra II
- CTE Progressions and Integrated Credit



Culture and Mindset

- Promote a culture of positive attendance
- Proactive and preventative steps
- Positive, not punitive, approaches to absenteeism
- Sense of belonging
- Understanding of the importance of positive attendance



The Home-School Connection

Student and family engagement...
up front work that pays off in the long run

Structure, Routines, Expectations,
Communication , Connections

Education is relational.

Classroom Engagement

5. Classroom procedures and routines
4. Lesson planning and use of time
3. Engaging curriculum, instruction and activities
2. School to home connection
1. Relationship building



Attendance Matters

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YOUR PRESENCE
MAKES ALL
THE DIFFERENCE.

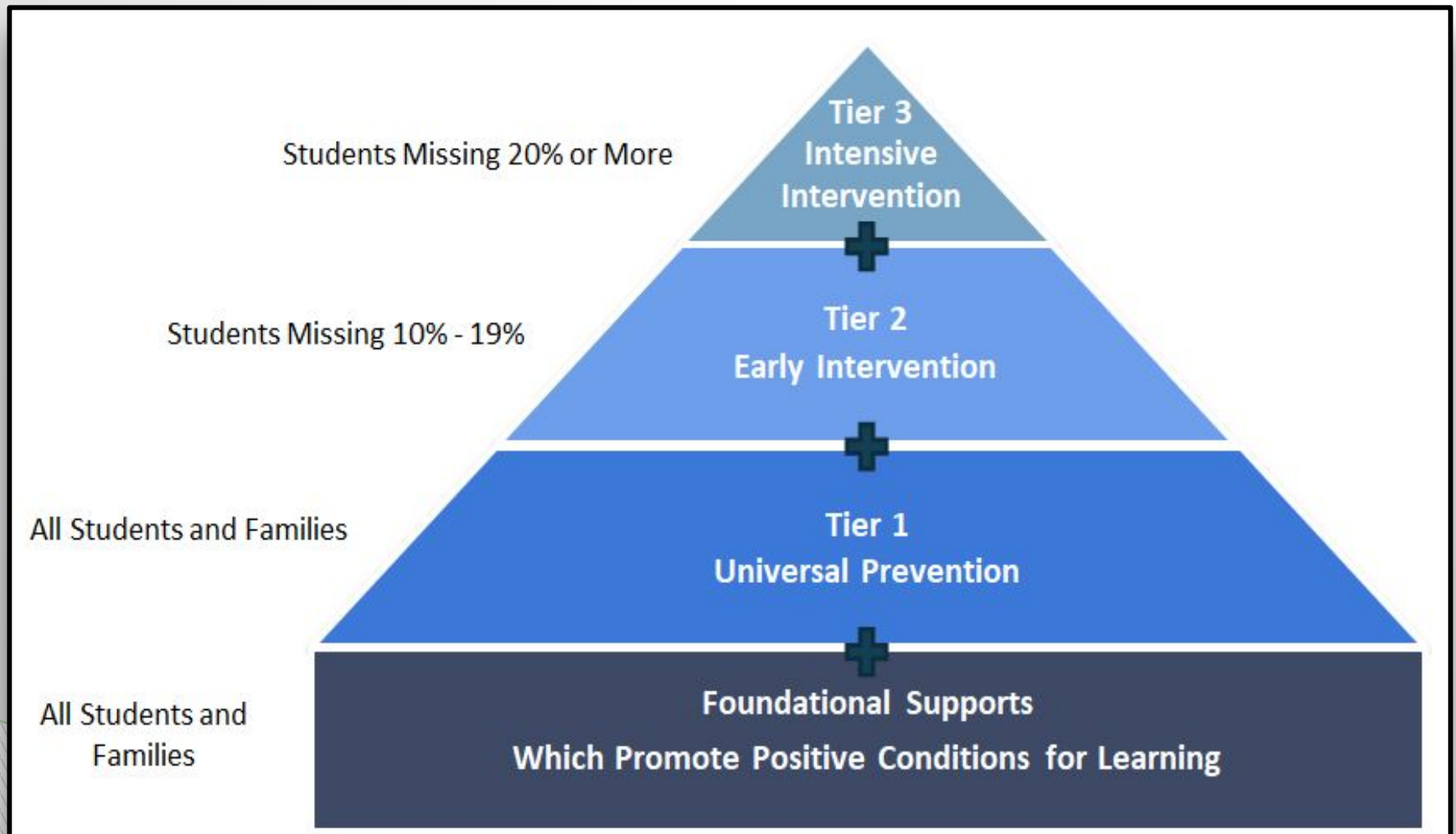


ATTENDANCE
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WE'RE BETTER
WHEN
WE'RE TOGETHER



The Tiered Approach



Thank you!!

Questions and comments...

