Build a Positive School Culture via a Student Leadership Team

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AMERICAN SCHOOL COUNSELOR ASSOCIATION

B.I.O.N.I.C. Team

- Overview
- Mission
- Goals

Student Teams:

- New Student Support
- Extended Illness Team
- Hospitalization Team

More information about Teams

● Sandy Austin- Founder of B.I.O.N.I.C. team

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● Webinar:
https://videos.schoolcounselor.org/infusing-a-caring-climate-into-your-school

Setting up your Teams:

Information sheets

Sign up sheets

Announcements

- We put out sign ups and info sheets at the beginning of September.
- We have our first meeting Mid September before our first event.
- Adult organized-KIDS implementing!

B.I.O.N.I.C. Team Operation

- Meetings
  - Agendas
- Grade Checks
- Participation

Connect to your District:

- PBIS
  - How we support
    - Hallway
      - Fun Friday

Community Involvement

- <u>Giving Tree</u>
- Food Drive
- Pennies for Patience
  - A little change to make a big difference- donate to charity of choice
- Food Pantry
  - Contact Local food bank for volunteer options

Leadership Opportunity:

- Morning Announcements
- Team Leader
  - Grade Transition
  - New Student Ally

Monthly Themes

September
Start with Hello Week

Start With Hello asks students, educators, parents, and other community leaders who interact with children to take steps in class, the lunchroom and/or on the bus to be inclusive and connected.

Nomination Form-saying hello

1 SEE SOMEONE ALONE

2 REACH OUT AND HELP

3 START WITH HELLO

START with Hello

October
10/10 I Care Day

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Want to see what the world would look like in one day if everyone reached out to 10 people – one person each hour for 10 hours – to make a difference in 10 people's lives? On October 10th the B.I.O.N.I.C. Team would like to see what's possible with **10-10 – I Care Day**! A school of 1,000 would see 1,000 positive things happening each hour! A business of 100 would see 100 caring acts each hour.

10-10 - I CARE DAY!

To: _____

From: _____

Thank you for who you are, how you've impacted my life, and how you make this world a better place! I just wanted to say "believe it or not I care" about you!

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November
World Kindness Day

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World Kindness Day is a global day that promotes the importance of being kind to each other, to yourself, and to the world. This day, celebrated on November 13 of each year, has the purpose is to help everyone understand that compassion for others is what binds us all together.

December
Giving Tree

- <u>Giving Tree</u>
  - Team makes ornaments for tree, staff donates
- Food Drive
- Food Pantry
  - Schedule visit to local food pantry for team to volunteer

January
College and Career Awareness Month

This month is designed to help students identify and become familiar with colleges in our state

- College bingo board
- College of the Week fact sheets
  - Bowling Green
  - Cleveland State
  - Toledo
- Staff College sign example

February
Random Acts of Kindness Week

The goal of Random Act of Kindness Week is to change schools, the workplace, families, and society through kindness
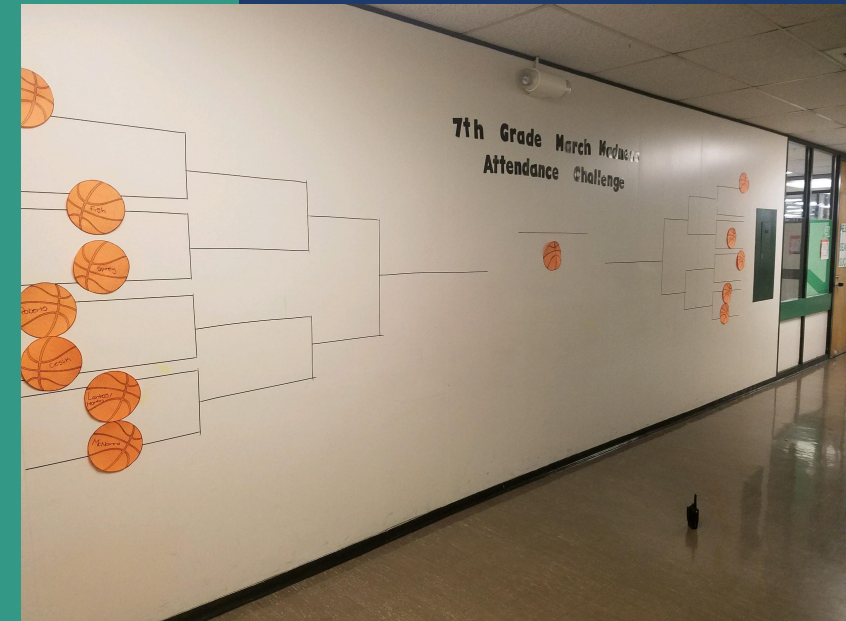
- RAK Week Agenda
- RAK Calendar
- Creating Student/Teacher Kindness certificates
  - Autocrat

March
March Madness Attendance Challenge

- Contest between homerooms for best attendance
  - Set up with March madness bracket, 1 round per week
  - Tie breaker was least number of tardies to school

April
World Autism Month

- April is <u>World Autism Month</u>, dedicated to increasing awareness about Autism Spectrum Disorder.

May
Let it Go Day

Let it Go Day

- Students planned this day on their own
- Banners in cafeteria where students write down something they are going to let go of

Sometimes you just have to let it go

Resources:

- Autocrat
  - Autocrat is a mail merge add on in google sheets, can be used in many ways for school counseling
- Youtube videos
  - How to use Autocrat
  - How to use Autocrat
- Examples of how I use it in school counseling
  - Download these videos for instructions
  - Random Acts of Kindness awards
  - SEL referral forms
  - GPAs and goals- certificate
    - Autocrat explanation of how to use
    - How to get email list in DASL

Increase connections, sense of community and positive school culture through a student leadership B.I.O.N.I.C. team

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