We're Screening! Now What?

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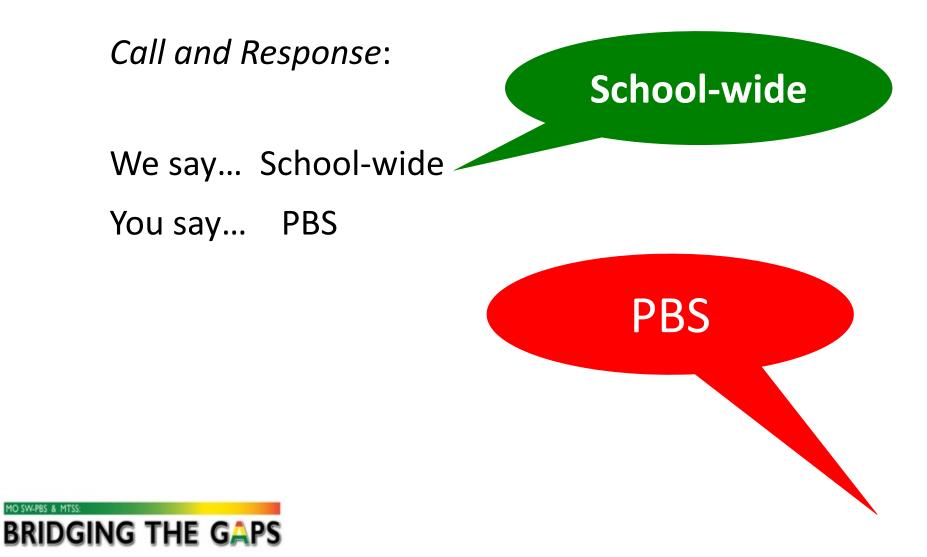
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Attention Signal



Session Outcomes

- Receive a brief overview of universal screening tools.
- Become familiar with how to analyze data to inform decision-making for individual students as well as schoolwide practices.



Screening Overview



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"The Commission found compelling research sponsored by OSEP on emotional and behavioral difficulties indicating that children at risk for these difficulties could also be identified through universal screening and more significant disabilities prevented through classroom-based approaches involving positive discipline and classroom management."

Source: U.S. Department of Education Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services. (2002). A New Era: Revitalizing Special Education for Children and Their Families



Screening Overview - Benefits

- Screening questionnaires are generally perceived as fast, efficient, and respectful process
- Ability to include all children and youth of interest
- Screening errors tend to result in a tendency to over identify rather than letting students fall through the crack
- Screening scores can informs schools about the needs of their particular student population and can assist with planning and resource mapping
- Universal screening is recommended as an evidencebased practice by various educational policy and practice groups

Source: President's Commission on Special Education, 2002; No Child Left Behind Act, 2001; U.S. Public Health Service, 2000



Screening Overview - Benefits

Universal screening shifts the focus from a traditional 'wait to fail' service delivery model toward proactively seeking out children who may be at risk of academic failure and/or behavioral difficulties.

Source: Glover & Albers, 2007



Screening Overview - Instruments



Universal Screening Instruments -Handout



Screening Overview - Choosing

Key Criteria:

- Appropriateness for intended use
 - Matches developmental and contextual elements
 - Compatible with delivery model
 - Research validates instrument for intended screening purpose
- Technical validity
 - Adequate norms (recent, comparable demographics, satisfactory size)
- Usability/practicality
 - Social validity
 - Cost-effective
 - Efficient
 - Informs interventions



Screening Application



What is the purpose of universal screening?

Fundamental Question...



Application: Traditional Frame

Recent estimates suggest only one in eight schools are screening for behavioral and emotional risk due to concerns of:

- over identification of students.
- inadequate resources

Source: Bruhn, Woods-Groves, & Huddle, 2014; Chafouleas et al., 2010



What happens if too many students are identified?

Fundamental Question...



Application: Base Rates

Base rates is defined as the proportion of students within a population that possess a characteristic of interest (e.g., the proportion of students exhibiting behavioral and emotional risk as indicated by the screening tool).



Application: Serviceable Base Rates

Sample Questions:

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- How many staff members are available to facilitate the interventions?
- How many students can each facilitator reasonably provide cueing and feedback?
- How many students can each teacher observe, rate, and provide feedback as part of their intervention?
- What extent are resources available to support intervention materials?

Application: Serviceable Base Rates (Example)

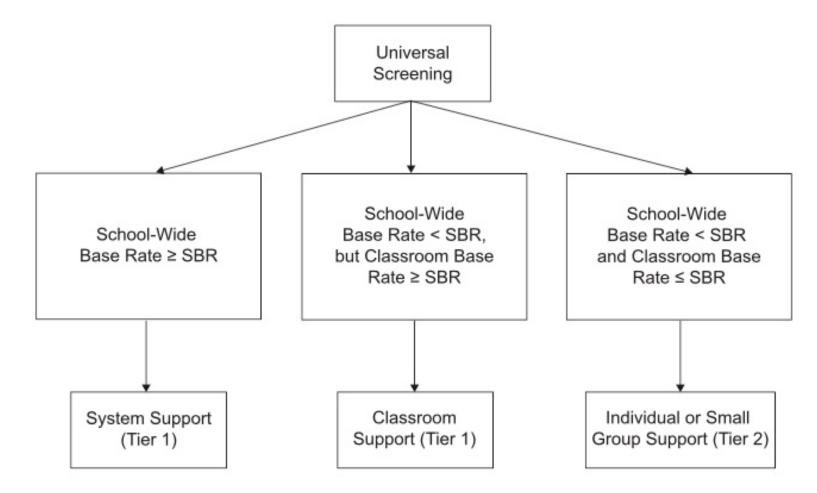
Bottega Elementary Schools – Tier 2 Interventions, SSIG & CICO

- 2 Counselors and 2 School Psychologists to implement social skills and group counseling (1 group ≦10, once per week ... 40 students overall)
- Teacher survey (4 students could be support, n=26)
- Facilitators (50 students during 20 minute periods)
- Funds available to purchase curricula and initial rounds of rewards

School-wide Rate: 40-50 students (14-16%) Class-wide Rate: 15%

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Application: Screen & Analyze



Note. SBR = serviceable base rate.

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Application: Individual/Small Group Support

The school-wide base rate is less than the prespecified serviceable base rate... and ...

Classroom base rate is less than the pre-specified serviceable base rate ...

Implement Tier 2 supports for students



Application: School-wide Supports

The school-wide base rate is more than the prespecified serviceable base rate...

Look to increase effectiveness of Tier 1 supports & school-wide supports



Application: School-wide Supports What would school-wide supports look like?

- Ensure access to Tier 1 supports (what data do you have to support Tier 1 is being implemented with fidelity?)
 - If not being done, provide additional training to staff and/or increase staff incentive for appropriate implementation
- If Tier 1 is implemented with fidelity
 - Review expectation structure for gaps; Increase access, schoolwide, to expectation instruction and reinforcement frequency

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Application: Class-wide Supports

The school-wide base rate is less than the prespecified serviceable base rate...

Classroom base rate is more than the pre-specified serviceable base rate ...

Look to include class-wide supports



Application: Class-wide Supports

What would class-wide supports look like?

- Instruction of adaptive skills
- Manipulation of environmental contingencies to promote reinforcement of adaptive skills

Examples:

- adoption of instruction of organization, instructional preparedness, or study skills (DiPerna, 2006)
- use of mystery motivators (Kehle, Bray, Theodore, Jenson, & Clark, 2000)
- use of CW-FIT (Wills et al., 2009)
- use of Social Skills Improvement System: Class-wide Intervention Program (Elliot & Gresham, 2007)

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What does this look like in application?

Fundamental Question...



Example

Base Rates = schoolwide - 35; class-wide - 3

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School-wide = 14

What would you suggest? school-wide class-wide small group combination

Example (digging deeper)

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What would target areas be for class-wide interventions?



Example (even deeper)

Social Behavior		6th Grade			7th Grade			th Gra	de	Schoolwide		
		В	Total	Α	В	Total	Α	В	Total	Total	At Risk	Not At Risk
Social Behavior Total	15.3	15.2	15.3	16.5	15.4	15.9	14.8	16.2	15.5	15.9	0-12	13-18
Academic Behavior		6th Grade			7th Grade			th Gra	de	Schoolwide		
		В	Total	Α	В	Total	Α	В	Total	Total	At Risk	Not At Risk
Academic Behavior Total	12.7	15.2	14.0	16.7	15.5	16.1	14.8	15.1	15.0	15.5	0-9	10-18
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How could this data be utilized to inform Tier 1/Universal decisions?



Questions?



Application to your site...

- What are you currently doing?
- How can this information be incorporated into your existing systems/practices?
- What help/resources might you need?



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