

Monthly Newsletter

October 2023

State Support Team Region 7 serves school districts and other stakeholders in Ashland, Crawford, Huron, Knox, Marion, Medina, Morrow, Richland, Seneca and Wyandot Counties in Ohio.

Report Card 23

The 2022-23 State Report Card gave districts, buildings, and community schools Overall Stars for the first time ever. In the past it was a letter grade. The Dropout Credit Recovery Schools still receive for their components a Meets Expectations, Does Not Meet Expectations and Exceeds Expectations score. With the Overall letter grade comes many questions about how the Stars are given and what data is used in the scoring. SST 7 has scheduled three opportunities for our constituents to come to SST 7 and dive into the report card basics in order to better understand the system. October 2nd and 5th are already at the limit for attendance each at 45 participants. We are having the third session on October 13 at SST 7. We will spend the morning (8:30 - 11:30) taking the five current components of the report card (Achievement, Progress, Gap Closing, Early Literacy and Graduation) and going into detail on each one to explain how Stars are given. The afternoon will be an opportunity to work one on one with Mike Hebenthal or Steve Short on your own district or building data. Also, if you bring a team, your team could meet and talk about what you've learned and how the data impacts your building or district goals. If you are in Cohort 1 and are expected to do the One Needs Assessment and One Plan this would be a great opportunity to initiate your conversation on data and begin to work on root cause analysis. We will also be presenting in Tiffin on October 17th at the North Central Ohio ESC following the same format. Registration for that event will be handled by the ESC.

This is this <u>link</u> to register for the SST session in Mansfield October 13th.

We hope to explain the answer to these questions;

- To get Overall Stars do we add up the Stars and divide by the number of components? (No)
- Which two components by law are always going to be weighted double compared to the others? (Come and see!)
- If two buildings received four Stars for all components could one school receive 4 and the other be 4.5? (Yes but how) Come answer the how and why questions on October 13th or 17th!

Ohio's Pathway to Improvement



Ohio's 1.7 million students attend nearly 4,000 schools situated within approximately 620 school districts or sponsor organizations. State and federal regulations dictate that Ohio routinely identify its lowest performing schools and districts (Ohio Administrative Code 3301-56-01; Elementary and Secondary Education Act, 1965; Every Student Succeeds Act, 2015). Ohio identifies its lowest performing schools every three years, in accordance with federal regulations. This designation is referred to as a Comprehensive Support and Improvement or CSI. This language replaces the former Priority School language.

As Ohio's districts and schools are identified for support, they must create or update district and school improvement plans through the ED STEPS process, which includes the One Needs Assessment and the One Plan.

Additional school designations are as follows:

- Additional Targeted and Support and Improvement Schools-ATSI School
- Targeted Support and Improvement- <u>TSI School</u>

Additional Resources:

Identification and Requirements
EdSteps
School and District Improvement



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Additional Links and Information:

Ohio's Attendance Guide: Ohio's Attendance Guide SST11 Podcast, Chronic Absenteeism: Podcast Thinking Classroom Book Study: Book Study

Special Education Virtual Office Hours: <u>SPED Virtual Office Hours</u> Communicative Competence Professional Learning Series: <u>CCPLS Flyer</u>

The Truth About Reading: <u>Truth About Reading Flyer</u>
STEM Career Awareness Platform: <u>Career Awareness</u>
September 2023 INFOhio News Bulletin: <u>INFOhio Bulletin</u>
Third Grade Reading Guarantee FAQ Page: <u>FAQ Third Grade</u>
2024 State Board District 1 Teacher of the Year: <u>Teacher of the Year</u>

Rewordify Website: Rewordify

Did you know?

As you may have noticed this newsletter is for October and not September, the newsletters will now be going out on the last business day of each month for the following month as opposed to the current month and will also be available on our website, https://www.sst7.org/statesupportteam7 home.aspx. If you have suggestions for upcoming Newsletters or want to be added to receive a copy, please reach out to me, svernon@ncoesc.org. I've included a couple of word search puzzles for your enjoyment, I hope you like them. Fall Word Search Puzzle: Puzzle Link & School Supply Word Search Puzzle: Puzzle Link 2.



PBIS Training sessions have already been completely filled for this school year! Wow, that was fast! Report card 23 sessions for 10/2 and 10/5 are also full but a new session has been opened for October 13th, you can again register now by clicking here, but keep in mind those spots are filling up fast!