

Senate Testimony
Tuesday
3/10/15

- OCS setting the context
 1. 5 years ago... no systems, started PBiS
 2. Office referrals high 90% of my job
 3. 6 BI's, to help children that at the intensive level in need of social emotional support.

- Went to Michael and Tiffany to ask for help
 1. Knew that we needed something different and these people are social emotional experts.
 2. Knew we needed to be preventative, not reactionary, no planning room.
 3. Sat in my office with Tiffany, Michael Curtis and Michaela Martin (curriculum coordinator) and invented PBiS analyst position
 4. Position works with all teachers and students is funded by Success beyond six money. Has a primary caseload of 8-10 medicaid eligible students/families.
 5. Coordinates mental health services for families such as counseling (individual and family), psychiatric evaluation, summer planning, community outings, home visits. Sits on PBiS committee meetings, advises on school wide recognition for students and staff, her office services and the sunshine (explain) pass room.
 6. Since the position has existed our office referrals have gone way down (hand out office referral stats).
 7. This position now serves 16 different schools in Central VT.

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