What is Integrated Student Support?

Integrated student support is an approach for schools to provide student support by intentionally and systematically leveraging and coordinating the resources and relationships available in the school and in the surrounding community to address the comprehensive strengths and needs of each and every student in a school in order to help promote healthy child development and learning.

CORE COMPONENTS

Setting the stage: Understanding what you already have, building consensus and trust, and determining a budget.

Structures and staffing: Establishing district- and school-level roles and responsibilities, and designing aligned strategies, structures, and personnel roles to activate a system of integrated student support.

Sustainability: Designing for the long-term operational, political, and financial viability of a system of integrated student support.

Record keeping and data: Creating a record-keeping solution that fits the resources of your school, and generates data to monitor and improve implementation, and evaluate impacts.

School and community resources: Identifying and organizing school- and community-based services and enrichment opportunities to facilitate appropriate and efficient connections to resources.

Processes: Designing processes by which your students receive supports and enrichment opportunities tailored to their strengths and needs.

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