THE ÉTUDE GROUP

a K-12 educational continuum of tuition-free public charter schools in the Sheboygan Area School District
Gathering: Continuum

Prompt:

As a school community, where are you at in the process of developing and implementing an Advisory Program?

- Have not yet started a program but are exploring the possibilities!
- Have a fully developed advisory program and have been implementing it for years
Overview of Design & Implementation

Three Main Components:

- Meet daily for 30 minutes
- About 12-16 students per advisory
- Lead advisor creates plans which are implemented by all advisors
- Ritualized structure; every day starts with a gathering

“On your case and on your side”
## Focus: Community Building

### MONDAY
**Extended Gathering**
- Circle up
- Share about ourselves or work toward a goal & debrief
- Learning about each other helps us relate to one another

### WEDNESDAY
**Town Hall**
- Whole school gathering
- Three focuses: Culture, Community Building, Performances
- Hosted by advisory or club
- Announcements & Appreciations

### FRIDAY
**Friday Ritual**
- Designed by the advisory
- Purpose is to participate in an activity together to build connections and bond as a group
Focus: Academic Advisement

**TUESDAY**

**Goal Setting & Grade Tracking**
- Gathering focused on accomplishments or struggles in academic classes
- Students create a SMART Goal for the week
- Share commitments to build accountability amongst students and advisor

**THURSDAY**

**One on One Conferencing**
- Conferences are about 5 minutes each
- Start with a success
- Hold student accountable to their goal
- Some conferences held outside of advisory
Focus: Parent Connection

PRESENTATIONS OF LEARNING
- Student led conferences
- Planning for POLs occur in advisory
- Advisor, parent(s), student

ADDITIONAL CONTACT
- Entrance Conferences
- Upcoming events
- Successes
- Changes in behavior
Additional Advisory Initiatives

WELCOME WEEK!
- The first week of the school year is largely centered around advisory
- Start off the school year with a culture and community focus

FUTURE PLANNING
- My Action Plan
- Resume
- Personal Statements
- College and Career Visits
- Scholarship Applications

MINI LESSONS
- Growth Mindset
- Social Skill Development
- Developing habits of professionalism
Connect, Extend, Challenge

CONNECT
How can you CONNECT what you are already doing at your school to our Advisory implementation?

EXTEND
In what ways can you EXTEND what you are already doing at your school based on what you learned through this presentation?

CHALLENGE
What are some CHALLENGES you might face in implementation or what QUESTIONS do you have?
Resources

Looking for some of these documents to personalize for use at your school? View our Advisory Website with access to all the documents you saw today and more! All are shared as “copy” using Google Drive

Questions or Comments? Feel free to contact me at ckissinger@etudegroup.org