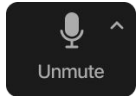
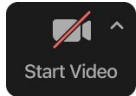


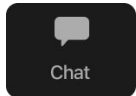
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# Child Welfare and Attendance Monthly Call



October 3, 2024

# Agenda

- Introduction / Sign In
- Monthly Call Purpose
- Presentation
  - RaaWee Attendance Improvement: Partners in Professional Development
- Updates

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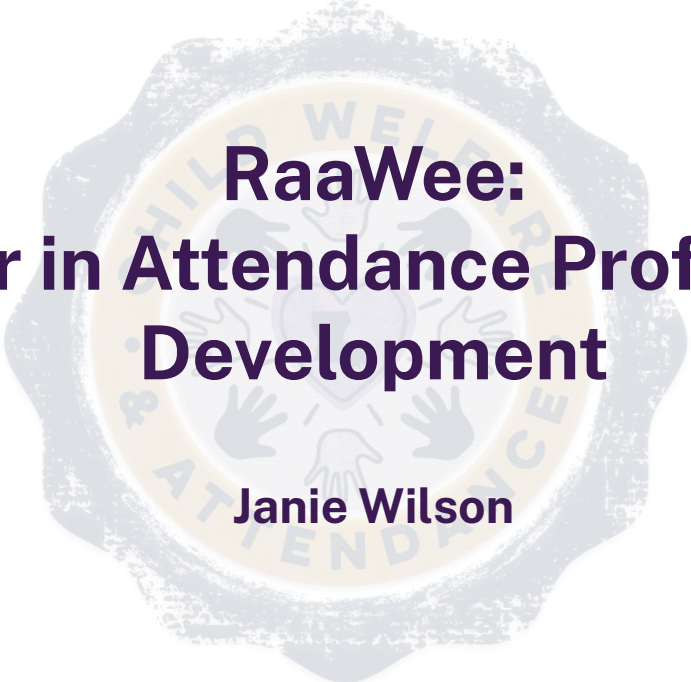


# Monthly Call Purpose

- Focus: “Be Mindful, Be Present!”
- Purpose: To cultivate a viable network for state CWA’s to discuss evidence based best practices and offer support amongst colleagues.

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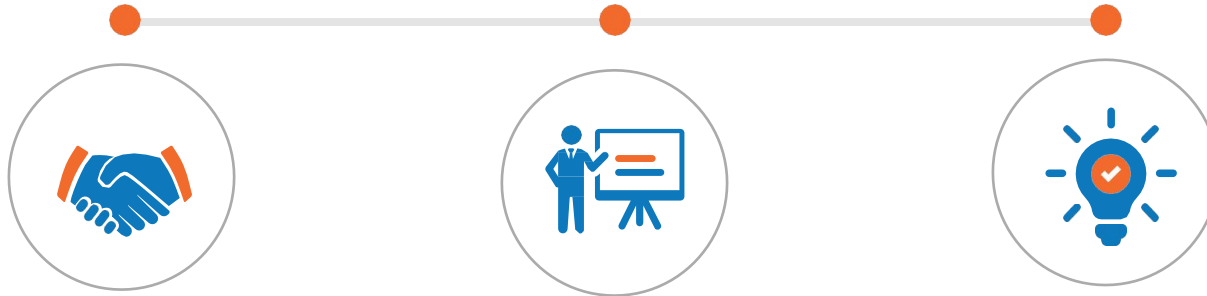


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**Janie Wilson**

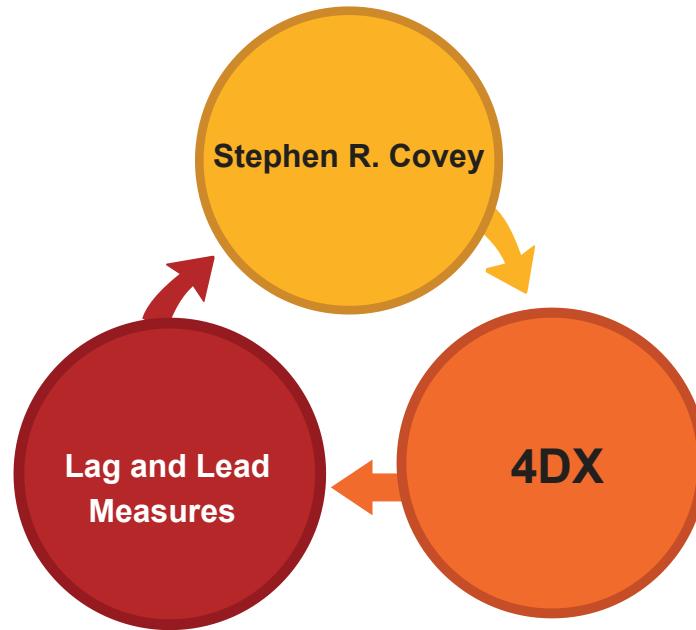
**Presentation**

# Partner in Attendance Professional Development



# Partnering for Change

80% of our Results come from 20% of our action



# Benefit Part 1

Professional Development





Outcome  
1

- Increase knowledge on **strategies and resources** to respond to school

Outcome  
2

- Increase knowledge on **how to devise strategy**

Outcome  
3

- Build awareness through examples of **how to execute plans**

Outcome  
4

- Differentiate between **proactive and reactive strategies**

Outcome  
5

- Define outcomes through examination of current implementation processes

## Professional Services

**We support school decision making through:**  
*Consulting, Interpreting, Forecasting and Troubleshooting.*

**We customize an on-site, virtual, or hybrid delivery program just for your district!**





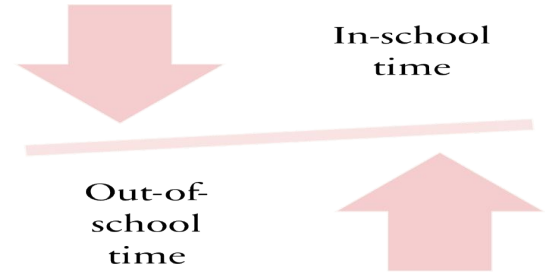
## Absenteeism is...

Total sum of a **student's in-school and out-of-school experiences.**

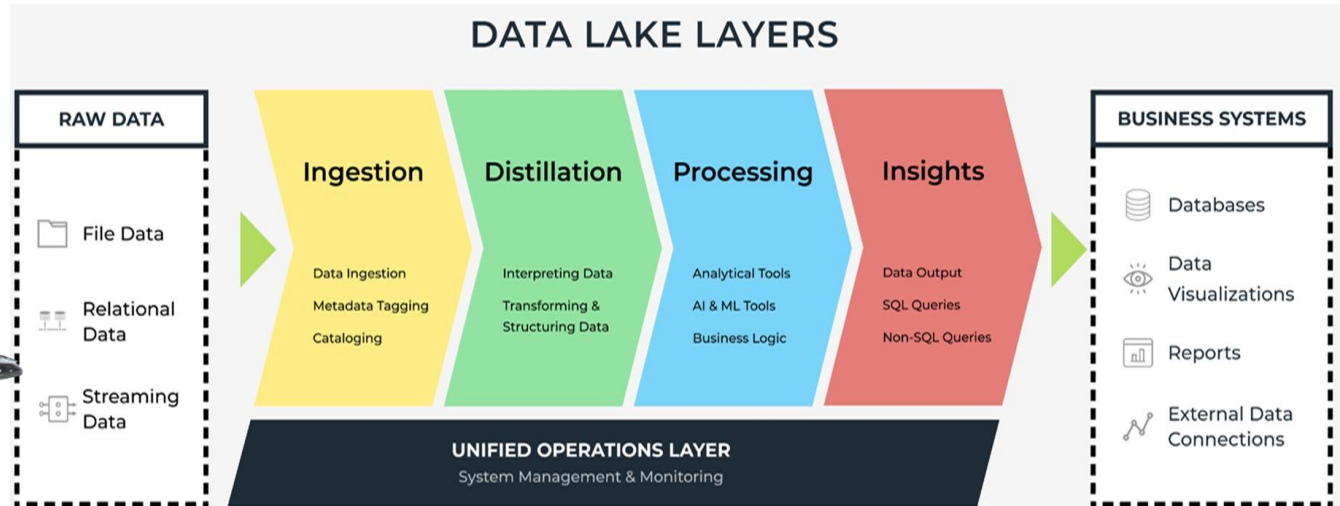
— Gentle-Genitty

# Topic: Data and Preventing Absenteeism

## Methods | Tools | Messaging



## What Matters?



# Building High-Performing Teams:

## A Collaborative Approach to Attendance Improvement

### Principles of Highly Functioning Interdisciplinary Attendance Teams:

Know why they exist

Define appropriate goals and expectations

Establish a flexible decision-making process

Communicate openly and frequently

Handle issues professionally and promptly

Do their individual parts to support the whole

### Four Key Concepts:

- Decide what matters
- Collaborate to  
consensus Foster
- relationships Think
- outside of the box

# Data is a Bucket with Holes – 10 Questions to Plug Holes

## Essential Questions

Why do I need data? What will I do with it?

What story must data tell or change?

Who must know about the outcomes of data?

Where must the data come from or be stored?

When do I need data and how often?

How do I know the data answers my questions?

What actions do I plan to take with data?

How do I monitor change from data?

What interventions can facilitate the change?



How do I report on and sustain the change?



## Gentle-Genitty says...

Data should help solve problems. If you cannot train it, interpret it, or use it to solve problems - it's garbage!

## Use Our Tip..

-  Train
-  Interpret
-  Problem
-  Solve

# My Absence. Your Problem!:

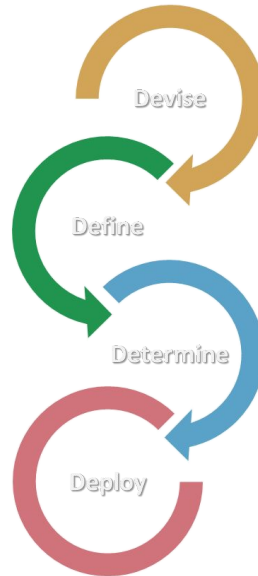
## Targeted Interventions for Students with Higher Degree of Absenteeism

**A<sup>2</sup>** Excessive Absenteeism addressed by ...

**E** - Modify Experiences

**I** - Target Interventions

**±** - Adjusted for Severity and Intensity of *push and pull factors* of impacted person.



### What if scenario:

- If **Absenteeism** is a problem of *experiences*
- **Interventions** must solve *problems*
  - ✓ By those who have decision making *power*
  - ✓ For those who will be *impacted*
  - ✓ Through *any means* (activity, behavior, AI etc.) to disrupt a chain or to create an outcome.

# Part 2 Technology



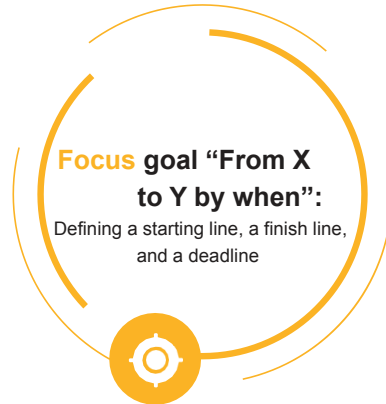


# 4 Steps

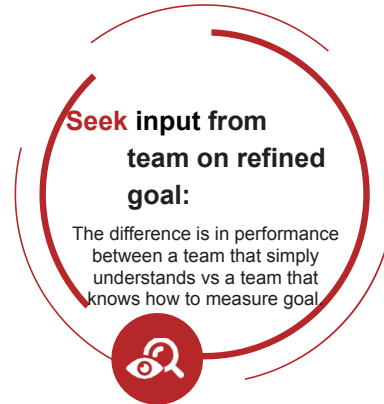
## to Refine and Execute Your Team Goals



**CHOOSE**



**FOCUS**



**SEEK**



**USE**

# 6 Ways

to help your Team Handle Stress during times of change

## Manage & Give

- 1 **Manage** own stress first
- 2 **Give** ongoing detailed updates on response to change

## Host & Help

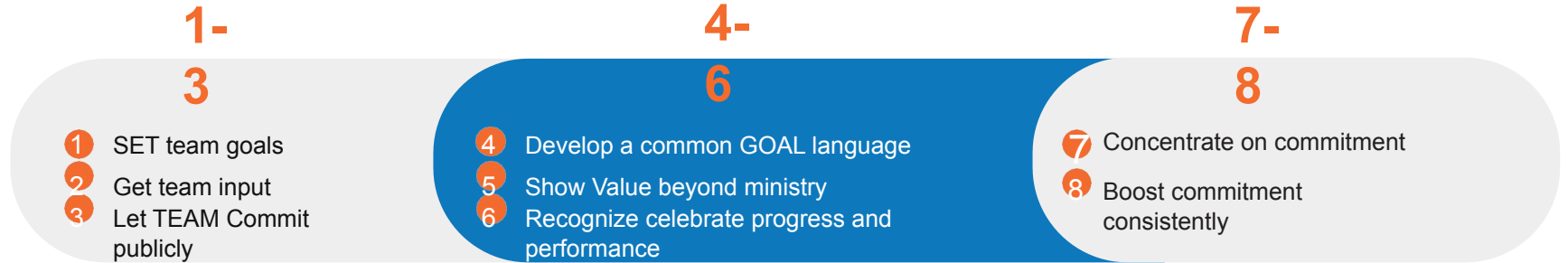
- 3 **Host** team meetings, acknowledge disruption, ask how everyone's doing
- 4 **Help** team narrow work focus on a few key priorities

## Offer & Accommodate

- 5 **Offer** hopeful vision for future in 1:1 and skip level meetings
- 6 **Accommodate** needs, be flexible, celebrate victories (even small ones)

# 8 Ways

to boost your team's commitment to goals

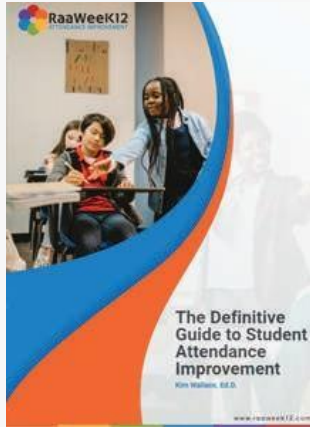


“If the ladder is not leaning against the right wall, every step we take just gets us to the wrong place faster.”

*Stephen R. Covey*

# Resources for Support

## Education White Papers



**The Definitive Guide**  
to Student Attendance  
Improvement



**The Time is Prime**  
For Truancy Prevention



**I Want The Truth**  
And I want it Now!



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Questions?

# Resources

## Louisiana Attendance Planning

- Attendance Action Planning Workbook
- Toolkit Slides
- Chronic Absenteeism Rate Report
- Attendance Action Plans
- Peer-learning Surveys



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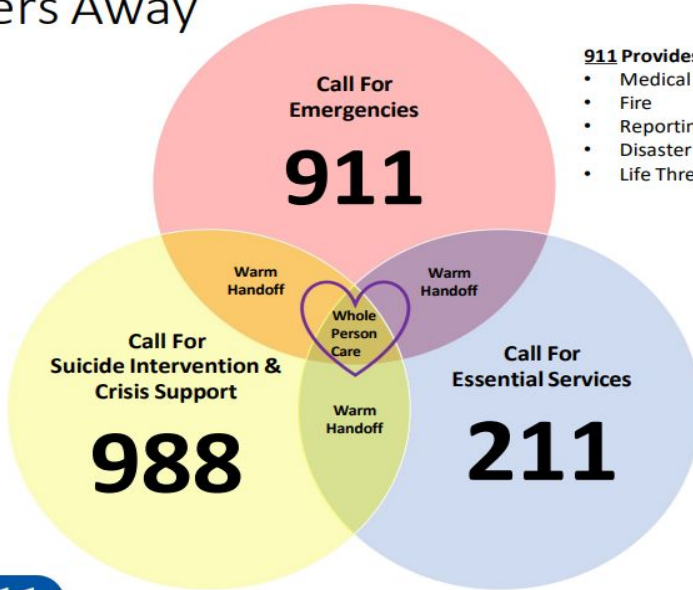


# ViaLink 2-1-1

Help is 3 Numbers Away

**988 Provides Crisis Support for:**

- Thoughts of Suicide
- Mental Health Crisis
- Substance Use Crisis
- Emotional Distress



**911 Provides First Responder Dispatch for:**

- Medical Emergency
- Fire
- Reporting a Crime
- Disaster Response
- Life Threatening Situation

**211 Maintains a Comprehensive Community Resources Database and Provides Information & Referrals for:**

- Food
- Housing & Shelter
- Utility Assistance
- Healthcare Services
- Government Services
- Transportation
- Legal Services
- Counseling & Support Groups
- Disaster aftercare
- & Everything Else



[www.vialink.org](http://www.vialink.org)



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# Updates

- The next monthly meeting will be November 7 at 8:00 am.



- Save The Date:
  - [International Association for Truancy and Dropout Prevention Conference](#)
    - Sheraton Le Meridien  
Charlotte, NC
    - October 6-9
  - [International Network for School Attendance \(INSA\) Conference](#)
    - Astor Crowne Plaza  
New Orleans, LA
    - October 29 - November 1

**You Are Appreciated!**

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