## BARR 2020-2021



formation and Semester 1 Data

#### **S**BARR



#### **Relationships & Data Matter**

White Bear Lake North Campus



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#### What is BARR?

### BARR stands for *Building Assets, Reducing Risks*.





# BARRR

### Same Students. Same Teachers.

#### **Better Results.**



#### Broad Overview of 9th Grade Data

- 660 freshman currently attending WBL North Campus
  - Four BARR Teams
  - Language Arts, Geography, and Physical Science
- Things that are "new"
  - Student experience (social emotional learning, relationships)
  - Staff experience (communication and collaboration)



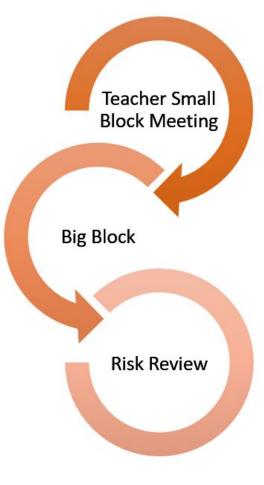
#### I-Time (asset building)

- A major component of the new freshman experience at WBL is implementing Social/Emotional Learning curriculum.
  - "Chance to take off your content hat and just *care* about kids"
- So, what might this looks like?
  - Once a week, each Freshmen engages in a lesson around any number of SEL concepts. For example:
    - Goal-setting
    - Leadership
    - Empathy/Community Building
    - Grief/Loss
    - Determining Strengths



#### BARR at North Campus (reducing risk)

- BARR Programming: Three steps of intervention for 9th grade students:
  - Small Block Meeting
  - Big Block Meeting
  - Risk Review
- Goal is to triage and collaborate together with resources to intervene early and often before the student has an academic or personal crisis
  - Each student brought to Risk Review will have already been explicitly discussed by teachers, admin, and counselors.



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#### • Important Numbers:

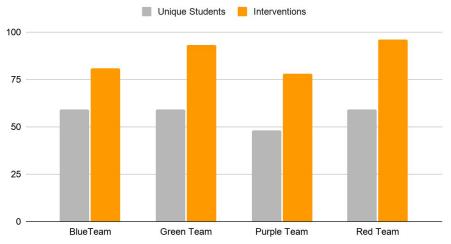
- 37 Total Meetings in Small/Big Block
- 74 Hours spent specifically talking about 9th students
- 272 Different students discussed (40% of 9th grade)

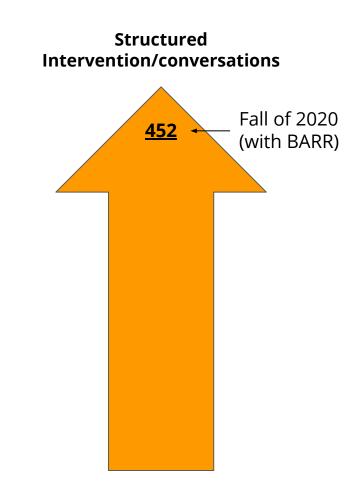


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- Important Numbers:
  - 452 Specific conversations/interventions







#### Our Amazing 9th grade BARR teachers



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**CINDI SWENSON** 



JULEE ELLEESEN



#### **ALLISON MCCANN**



**ARTHUR CRUTCH** 







**KEITH STEADLAND** 





#### Biggest Takeaways from this semester

- We need to see the students as "whole students"
- Understanding that barriers to learning exist and relationships matter most
- Frequent, intentional, and accountable conversations about the strengths of students is key to success
- Celebrate! The 9th grade has one of the highest passing rate in all grades 9-12.

• What questions might you have?