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# **Child Welfare and Attendance Monthly Call**



# Agenda

- Introduction / Sign In
- Share Out
- Monthly Call Focus / Purpose
- Presentation: Resources to Reduce Absenteeism
- Guest Speakers Jessica Major, Port Allen Middle School
   Taya Loupe, CWA West Baton Rouge Parish
- Updates



# **Monthly Call Purpose**

Focus: Resources to Reduce Absenteeism

 Purpose: To cultivate a network of attendance stakeholders to discuss evidence-based best practices and resources to improve student attendance.



# Resources to Reduce Absenteeism



## **Challenges Facing Students**

- Chronic health conditions
- Disabilities
- Transportation
- Mental health concerns
- Major social determinants of health
- Maslow's Hierarchy of Needs-Physiological Needs

# How Can You Help?

- Family Engagement Ex. PTA/PTO
  - Encourage families to be involved in the school
- Student Engagement Ex. Uniform Turn Ins
  - Turn in gently used uniform items for extra credit
  - Class competitions
- Community Engagement Ex. Basic Needs Closets
  - Access to clean clothing items
  - Personal hygiene items
  - Advertise to community to replenish supplies



# **West Baton Rouge Parish Schools**



# Port Allen Middle School-Jessica Major

- Port Allen Middle School Pantry (PAMS Pantry)
  - PAMS Pantry News Video (1:53)



# **CWA- Taya Loupe**

- **Quarterly Meetings**
- Recent Attendance project/results
- **FINS Program**
- Saturday Make-up Days and/or After School





# **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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# **Updates**

- February Presentation can be found on the <u>LDOE Monthly Calls</u> webpage
- March <u>CWA Monthly Call</u>
  - 8am, March 13
- Save The Date:
  - Fast Forward/CWA Summit
    February 25
    Cajundome, Lafayette