

## CS-TAC Coffee Hour Notes 4-9-20



Thanks for joining us at our first CS-TAC Virtual Coffee Hour. Below you will find a recap of shared practices, resources, and future topics discussed. Please contact us if you have any questions!

### Practices Shared

#### Binghamton University Community Schools (BUCS):

- Weekly virtual meeting with CSC's: assess needs, provide resources, support
- Topics include family outreach practices, using texting/Facebook, Grandparent support group virtual meetings bi-weekly, Birth-5 activities
- Funding: able to move grant funding earmarked for family engagement to provision of gas cards to families.
- Needs assessment to families to determine immediate needs: early findings include concern for unemployment, food access
- Creating virtual drop-in for middle/high school students, considerations for 2D compliance underway

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#### Hancock CSD:

- Family STEM kits through the after school program: elicited interest through Facebook page, using Pinterest for kits ideas, staff packaging all components and directions then delivery to director. Direct drop off to families

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Buffalo Strong Community Schools & Say Yes to Buffalo Community Partner:

- Technology access: examining needs for K-12 students and returning college students. Identifying gaps and partnering with Mission Ignite and Buffalo Niagara Medical Center to provide desktop computers to families. Delivering during grab & go food pick ups. Also working with Spectrum to ensure service access without long term contracts
- Say Yes Family Support Service Staff - remain engaged in home based case management (volunteers with precaution) addressing areas of food, social emotional - check ins. Guidance and protocols developed along with Tele-contact
- Saturday Academy-has gone virtual! 5 vendors from 10am-1pm. Used Zoom & Facebook. Had many community members/families join!

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Connected Community Schools:

- A collective of Safe Schools Mohawk Valley, Rome Alliance and the Central NY Health Home Network working with 5 districts
- The HHN uses the district referral systems to connect families to 60+agencies. MH clinics using Tele-health. Running the county health line and paying special attention to domestic violence and safety issues. Noticing a large need for food security and are delivering several days worth at one time. Food bank orders up to 50000 lbs.
- Referral form is a Google doc, permission for family contact by HHN and monthly advisory board meetings to ensure services and referrals up to date.
- Barriers -technology access and trying to keep in contact with families not using internet
- [facebook.com/romecommunityschools](https://www.facebook.com/romecommunityschools)

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### Rochester CSD

- Using a tiered system to record family contact. Teachers contact their roster 1x a week and identify green (multiple contacts), yellow (less) or red (no contact).
- Social workers contact “red” Tier III families and identify needs
- Barriers-identifying what exact needs are or root cause of needs to offer assistance addressing that piece. Desire to identify ways to onboard those assisting with outreach who may have clinical skills or family outreach skills.

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## RESOURCES

- IEL spreadsheet of practices & resources for COVID-19 response by community schools:  
[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bxzO51hJPGioB\\_ZkJgSEAIr1wpqWdN4rhDMUV9CysU/edit#gid=1358462135](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bxzO51hJPGioB_ZkJgSEAIr1wpqWdN4rhDMUV9CysU/edit#gid=1358462135)

## Topics for next time!

- Extend discussion on referral forms: If you have sample forms, please feel free to share with CS-TAC or bring next week to screen share
- Food distribution and innovative practices to reach families