

Lawndale Elementary School District & University of Southern California Collaborative Model: Integrating Trauma-Informed Services with the District-Wide Positive Behavior Support Implementation

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# **Objectives:**



**Objective 1:** The participant will understand the evolution of universitydistrict partnership as it changes from an informal to a more formal collaboration "Teaching Institute" in response to the increase in social service needs within schools

**Objective 2:** The participant will be able to describe the current RTI model/framework and PBIS implementation used in this district-university collaborative model that highlights the integration of the micro, mezzo, and macro levels of social work practice.

**Objective 3:** The participant will be able to identify three strategies to influence established systems such as schools and districts in changing the infrastructure for student support service delivery based on district students' data.





# **Presentation Outline:**



- I. What is a Teaching Institution (TI)?
- II. Overview: TI & Lawndale ESD Collaboration
- III. Lawndale Elementary School District Capacity Development
- **IV. Data Collection & Program Evaluation**
- V. Next Steps...





# What is a Teaching Institution?

#### **Benefits: Agency**

- Full USC Partnership
- Honorary Adjunct Faculty
- Exchange of Information & Resources
- Research
- Increased Capacity

#### **Benefits: Field Education**

- Curriculum Alignment & Adaptation
- Higher Quality of Training & Supervision
- Multi-Disciplinary Learning Accountability
- Increased Capacity





# **TI Challenges:**



## Paradigm Shift

- Program / Curriculum
- Development
   Sustainability





# Immediate Agency Implications



- Host 10-25 MSW Interns
- TI Development

   Proposal Summary
   Program Description & Student Assignment
   Course Curriculum Plan
- Required Coordinator / Field Instructor(s)

   MSW Level Supervisor







## **Micro Practice Work**

## **Mezzo Practice Work**

## **Macro Practice Work**







# **Trauma and Learning**

## http://www.traumaandlearning.org/









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#### **OUR PROBLEMS**

Lack of Mental Health Services

#### Medi-Cal Coverage (limitations; emergency, full-scope)

Costs for Mental Health Providers





# **Collaborative Partnership**

#### **SOLUTIONS**

- Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS)
- Hire a District Social Worker to Coordinate Mental Health Services
- Intern Program
  - USC Teaching Institute
  - Universities
    - USC
    - LMU
    - CSUF
    - CSULB
    - CSUDH
  - Community agencies







#### **Creating an Intern Program**

- Creating a strong foundation
  - Organization is KEY
- Curriculum
- Orientation
- Intern Experiences





# Lawndale ESD

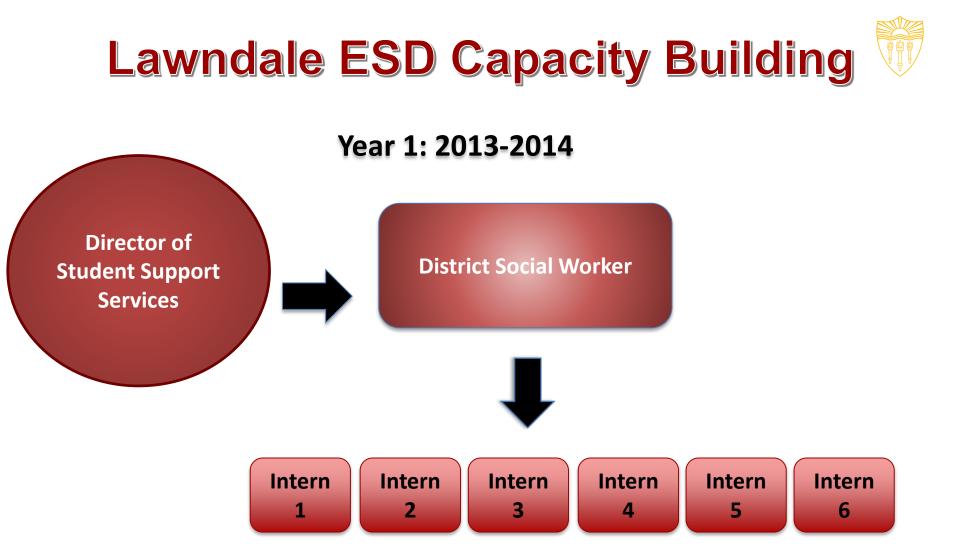


> Developed a Mental Health program under Student Support Services > MSW Interns >1<sup>st</sup> Year: 5 MSW Interns >2<sup>nd</sup> Year: 28 MSW Interns >3<sup>rd</sup> Year: 56 MSW Interns > MSW Staff ≻1<sup>st</sup> Year: 1 MSW >2<sup>nd</sup> Year: 4 MSW >3<sup>rd</sup> Year: 9 MSW Current Status: 1 MSW to 5-7 MSW Interns per school Cost/Benefit: Cost - MSW Field Instructor / Program Coordinator MSW Intern hours of services (United Way: \$12-\$22/Hr.): 56 x 16 Hrs./Wk. = 896 x \$22 = \$19,712 weekly

\$19,712 x 30 Weeks = \$591,360.00

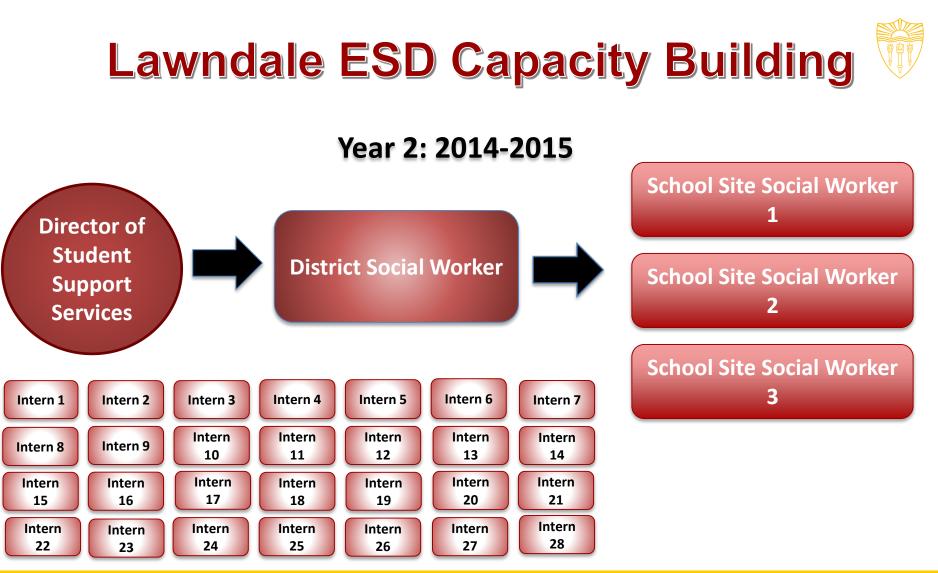












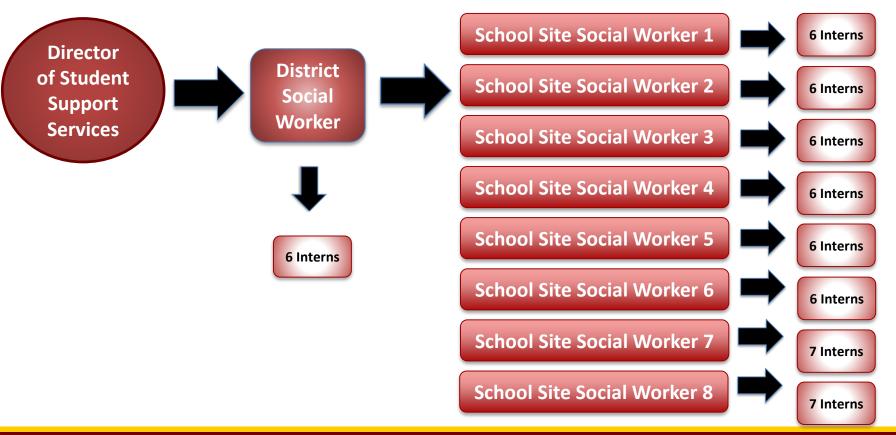
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## Lawndale ESD Capacity Building

#### Year 3: 2015-2016



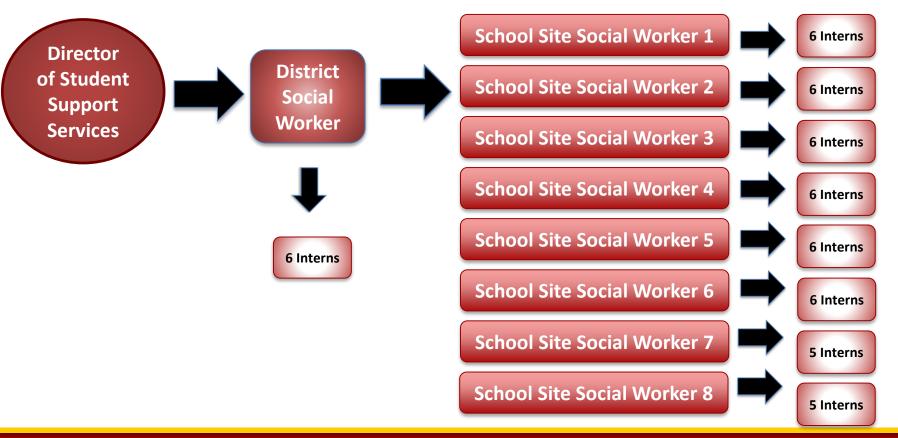
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## Lawndale ESD Capacity Building

#### Year 4: 2016-2017



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# **Support Services**





- Student Groups
- Crisis Response
- Socio-Emotional Curriculum
- Outreach and Parenting Classes
- Consultation
- Mediation / Advocacy
- Resource Linkage

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## Lawndale ESD Capacity Building



#### Phase 1:

- Pilot year select schools
- TI infrastructure and training program development for quality direct services to students
- PBIS alignment

#### Phase 2:

- Full scale model of the support services (8 schools)
- School-wide access to support services
- Continued PBIS alignment
- Increase in Professional Development and EBP Target Audience: Support Services Staff





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#### Phase 3:

- Continued stabilization and access to Support Services
- Continued PBIS alignment
- Increase in Professional Development and EBP CBITS, SSET, Trauma 101, (Target: Support Services & Certificated Staff)

#### Phase 4: Next Steps

- Continued stabilization and access to Support Services
- Expansion of Tier 1 Support Services
- Continued PBIS alignment
- Increase in Professional Development and EBP PFA, Bounce Back, Secondary Traumatic Stress (STS), 2<sup>nd</sup> Step Curriculum, etc. (Target: Support Services, Certificated, & Classified Staff)
- Additional Partnership USC/RAND/UCLA Trauma Services Adaptation Center for Resilience, Hope and Wellness in Schools and Communities





# Response-to-Intervention Multi-Tier System of Supports

Source: The Kansas Multi-Tier System of Supports. September 2010.

http://www.cde.ca.gov/ci/cr/ri/index.asp

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Empowering Culture



Tier 1



# Lawndale ESD Status



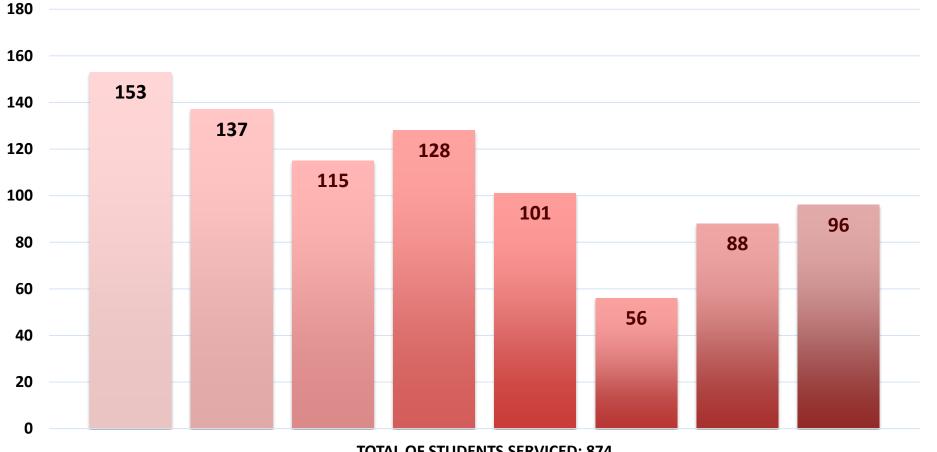
#### LOOKING AT THE DATA

- Zero Waitlist
- School Climate Change
  - Suspensions
  - Expulsions
- ADA/ General Attendance





## Total Students Serviced by Interns

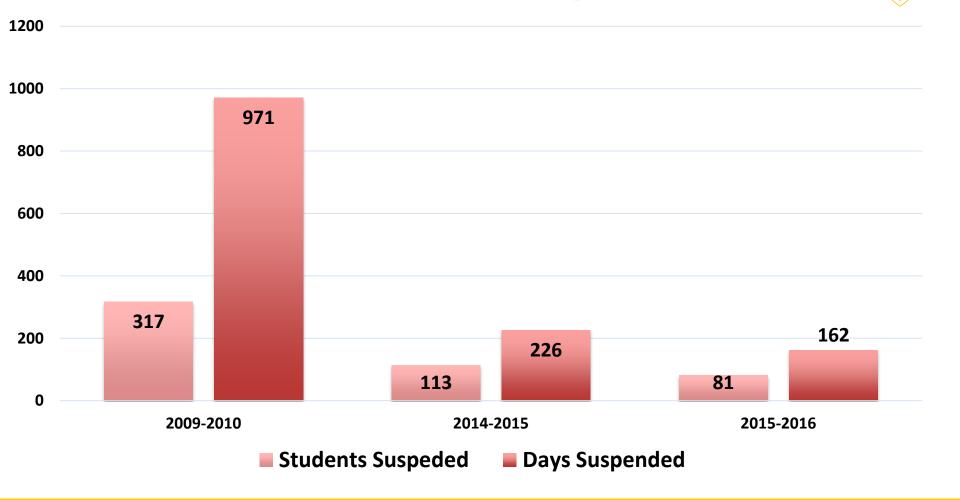


**TOTAL OF STUDENTS SERVICED: 874** 





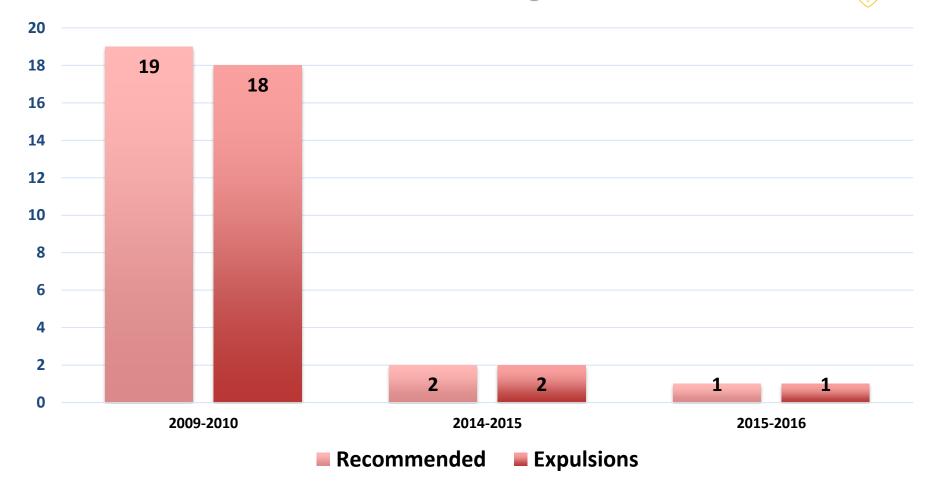
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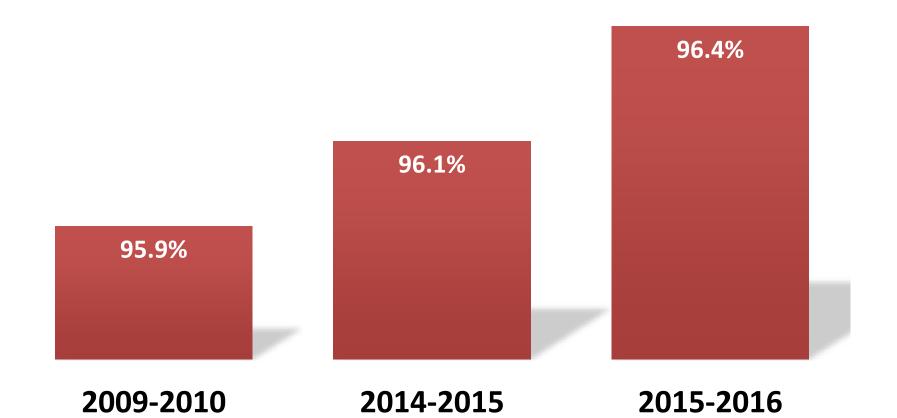
# **Number of Expulsions**











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## **COMMENTS?**

## **QUESTIONS?**





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