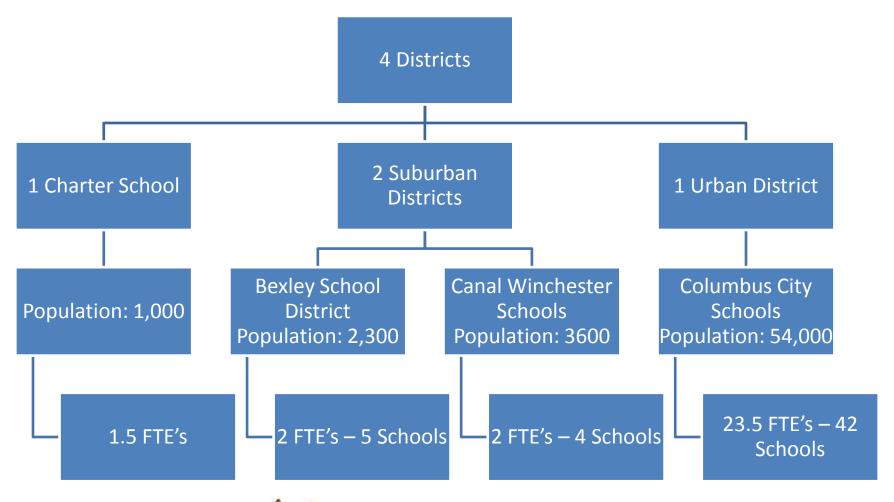


# Make It Work: Identifying and Implementing Effective Universal Prevention Strategies

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Pre-Implementation of Multi-Tiered Delivery System

#### One Entry Point

Focus on Individual Therapy

#### Capacity

15-30 Cases Per FTE

#### Learned Lessons

- Low Impact
- Lack of Engagement from School



#### Tier 3: 1.5% Individual Intensive Interventions

Goal: Reduce severity, intensity of symptoms driving impairment

Strategies: Address family and individual factors

#### **Programs:**

- Individual therapy
  - Cognitive Behavioral Therapy
  - Motivational Interviewing
- Family therapy
- Group Therapy
  - Cognitive Behavioral Intervention for Trauma in Schools
- School collaboration





Academic System



**Tier 2: 5-10% Targeted Interventions** 

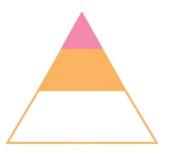
Goal: Reduce risk for "at-risk population"

**Strategies:** Treatment and prevention groups to address symptoms/concerns

#### **Programs**

- Too Good for Drugs
- Too Good for Violence
- Coping Cat
- Skillstreaming
- Relationship Plus





#### Tier 1: 80-90% Targeted School Wide

**Goal:** Promote a positive school climate through implementation of prevention programs that provide consistent and structured responses to behavioral and emotional concerns

**Strategies:** Teacher education, resources, student and family engagement and strategies

#### **Programs:**

- Elementary: PAX Good Behavior Game
- Middle and High School: Signs of Suicide (SOS)



#### Assessment of Needs

# **Community Concerns**

Franklin County
Youth Suicide Rates

• 2014: 14

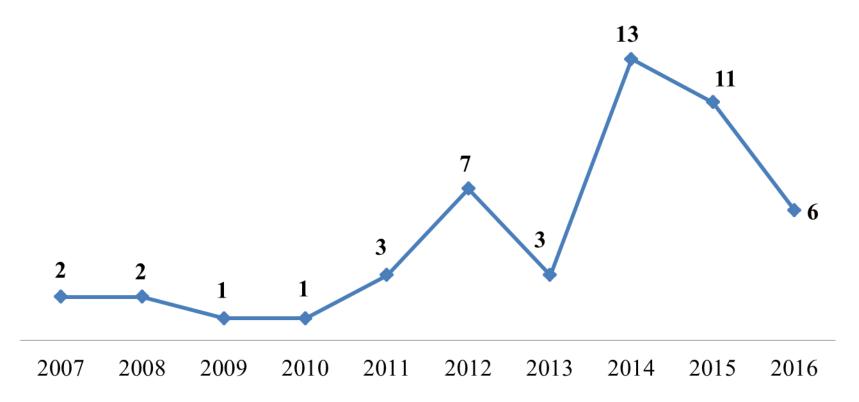
• 2015: 11

Source: Columbus Dispatch; Franklin County Coroner's Office



#### **Youth Suicides: Franklin County (OH)**

→ Number of Deaths



Source: Columbus Dispatch; Franklin County Coroner's Office



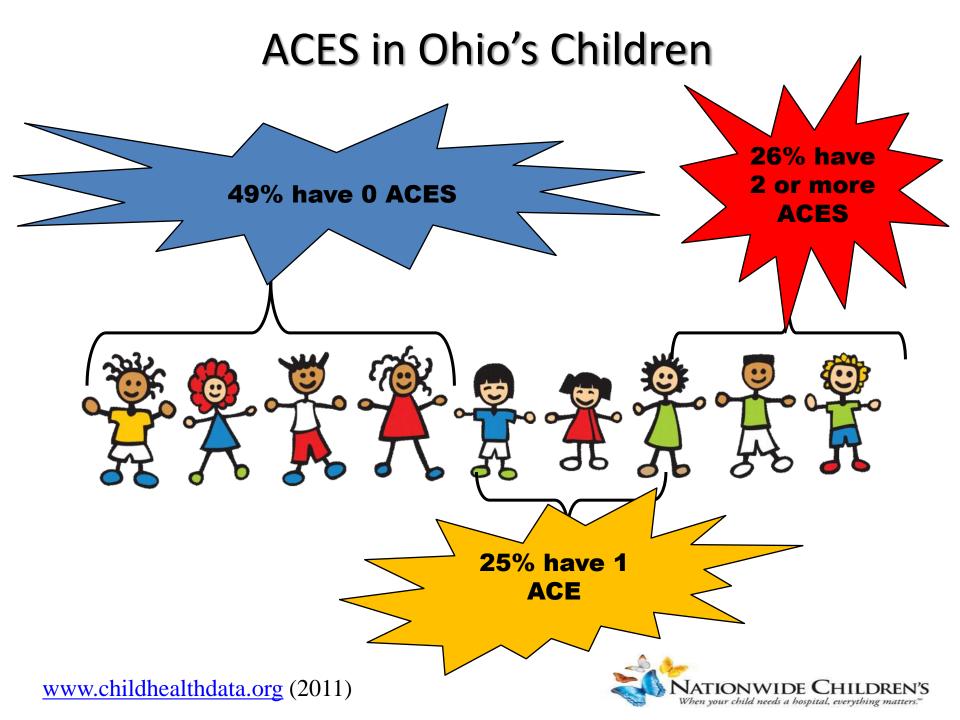
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#### Community Concerns

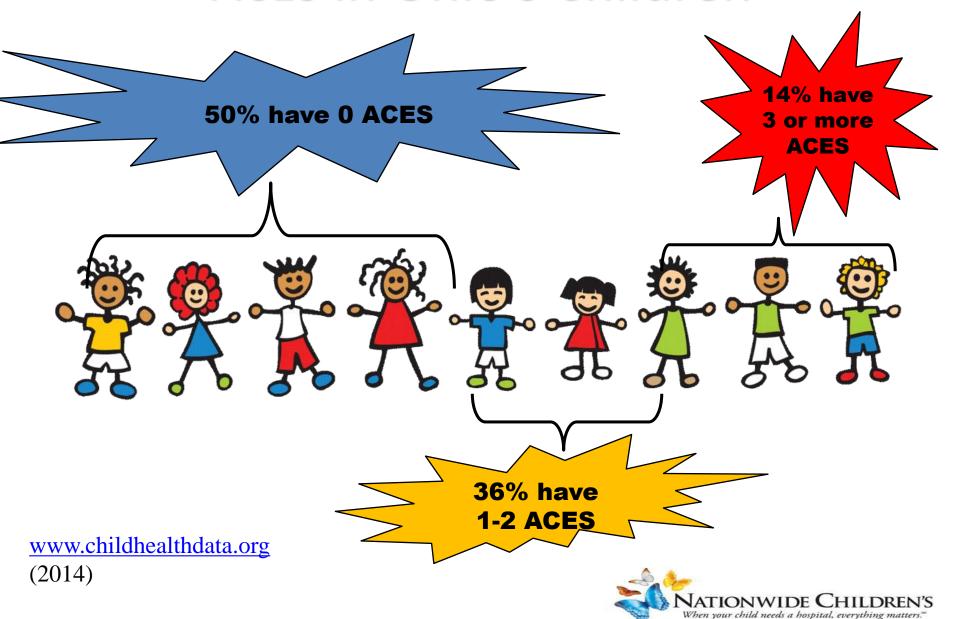
- 25.2% of Children in Franklin County living in Poverty in 2012.
- High School Dropout Rate. In 2012 67 percent of students graduated from High School in Franklin County
- 17% of Franklin County children diagnosed with one or more mental, emotional and behavioral disorder in 2012.
- 40.6% of students were enrolled in schools labeled as failing in 2012.

•Source: Community Conversations Report: Recommendation to city of Columbus.; Franklin County Children's Stress Profile





## ACES in Ohio's Children



#### Assessment of Needs

## Strategies

- Review and Utilize Community Data
  - Coroners Offices
  - Health Department
  - Community Reports
- Collaborations
  - Coalitions/Partnerships
  - Community Conversations
  - Community Engagement



#### Assessment of Needs

# School Data

- School Climate
- Most Common Mental Health Diagnosis Presented
  - Percentage of Students Experiencing Impairment
- Restrictive Setting
- Discipline Data
- Support Staff
- Community Partners
- Additional Resources Available



## **Funding and Partners**

#### District Support

Engage and Train Support Staff

#### County Mental Health Board

Grants/Training Opportunities

#### Support of Hospital Administration

Internal Partnerships



## Signs of Suicide Implementation

School Engagement **Gatekeeper Training** Parent Training (Optional) **Classroom Implementation**  Acknowledge • Show that you Care • Tell a Trusted Adult Screenings and Risk Assessments (Optional) • Brief Screening for Adolescent Depression (BSAD) Columbia Severity Suicide Rating Scale (C-SSRS) **Linkage to Treatment Services** 



# SOS Program Data (2015)

School Implementations	78		
School Partners	53		
Classrooms	607		
Number of Students	13,429		
BSAD Screenings	11,790	Positive Screens	1,564
Students Triaged	3,031		
Risk Assessments	611		
Non-Crisis Mental Health Referral	578		
Crisis Referrals	67		

VATIONWIDE CHILDREN'S
When your child needs a hospital, everything matters."

## PAX Good Behavior Game Implementation

Classroom-based teacher-implemented strategy to improve socialize students and increase self-regulation skills.

- Not a program/curriculum
- Classes are divided into equivalent teams
- Teams are rewarded for appropriate behavior/inhibition of disruption and aggression
- Intensity is increased over time



#### PAX Good Behavior Game

## A kernel is the smallest unit of scientifically proven behavioral influence.

- PAX GBG is comprised of 5 evidence-based kernels
  - Tootles
  - Beat the Timer
  - PAX Quiet
  - Granny's Wacky Prizes
  - PAX Sticks



#### PAX Good Behavior Game Data

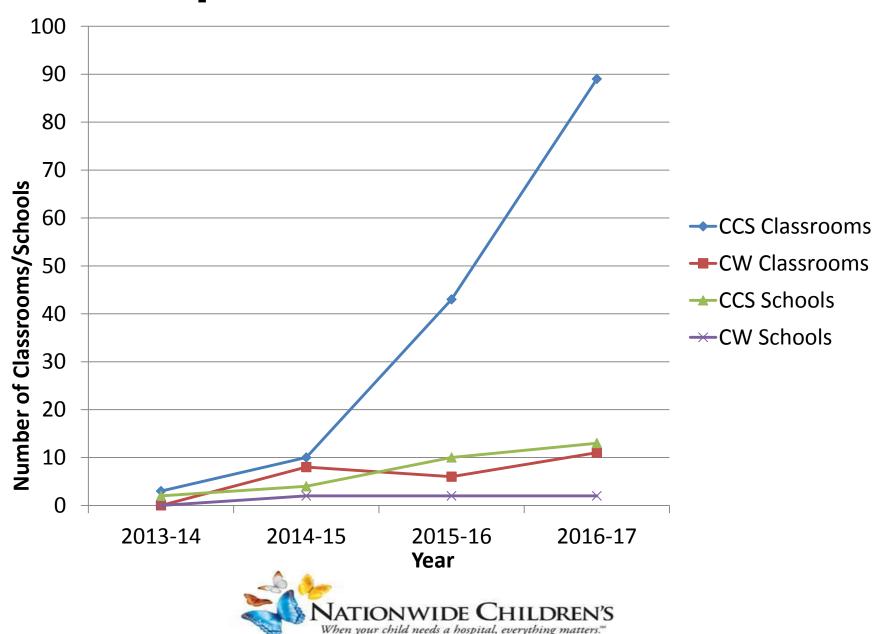
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Teachers 245

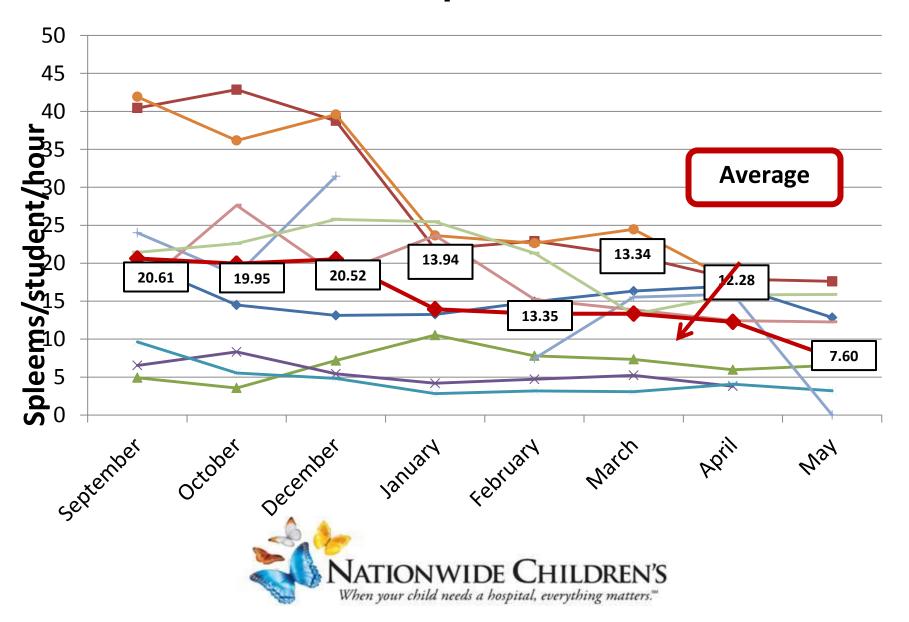
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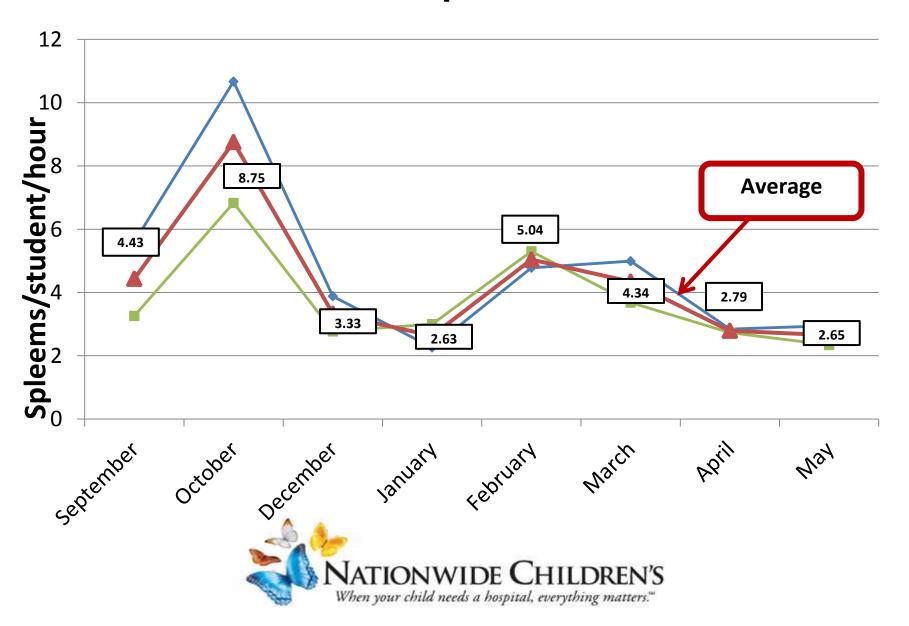
## Implementation Timeline



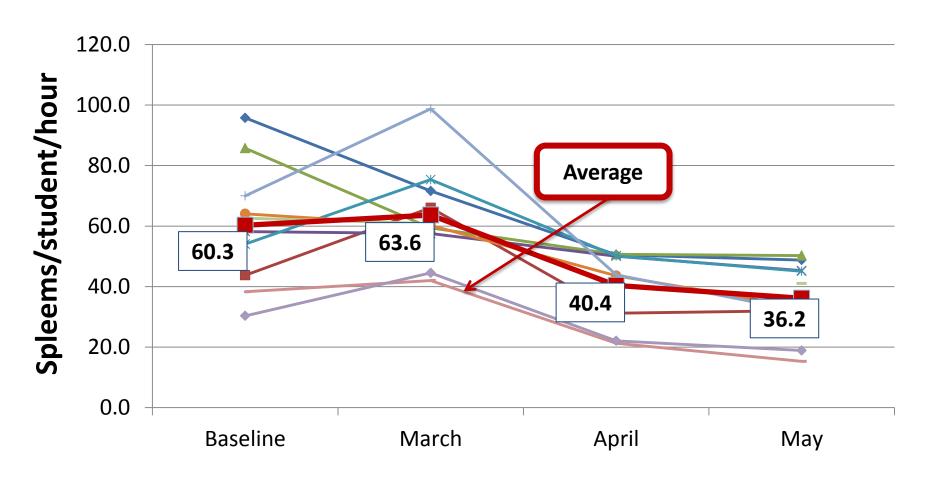
# 2015-16 Columbus City Schools School Spleem Data



# 2015-16 Canal Winchester Schools School Spleem Data



# 2016 (2<sup>nd</sup> Semester) CCS Classroom Spleem Data





#### 2016-2017 PAX Data

Goal for 2016-17: Disciplinary Incidents by classroom

#### **Preliminary Data**

- Ohio Ave Elementary
- 54.1 % reduction of suspension days/student
- 1.12 to 0.51 days/student
- 39% reduction in infractions that resulted in inschool and out-of-school suspensions
- Livingston Ave
  - 12.6% increase in the rate of suspension days/student
  - 1.23 to 1.38 days/student.
  - 5% increase in infractions that resulted in in-school and out-of-school suspensions



#### **PAX Good Behavior Game**



#### Improved Outcomes...

- Up to 75% reduction in disruptive and inattentive behaviors in the classroom
- Up to 60% fewer discipline referrals
- Improved academic standardized test scores
- 20-30% reduction in special education
- 15% more likely to graduate from high school
- 32% reduction in juvenile and adult criminal acts
- Up to 50% reduction in suicidal ideation

#### **Substance Use Prevention...**

- 68% reduction in tobacco use
- 35% reduction in alcohol dependence
- 50% reduction in other substance use





#### **Lessons Learned**





#### **Future Plans**

#### **Cures Grant**

- Ohio Expansion
- Collaboration

## **NCH** Expansion

- Training Opportunities
- Collaboration with After School Programs



# Questions?

