



Truancy Subgroup Meeting JJPOC Diversion Work Group

**August 26, 2019
9:30-11am**

450 Columbus Blvd, Hartford
State Department of Education

Meeting Summary

- Truancy Toolkit- Parent Brochure
 - 2 versions of the parent brochure were reviewed. Feedback was provided by subgroup members.
 - Intent is to have the parent brochure available to YSB's for the parents and schools they work with.
 - The brochure will be distributed with an explanation to LIST, JRB's, YSB's, probation, and community resource collaborative/network of care groups
 - Erica Bromley will revise brochure based on the discussion and Kelly Orts will reformat and distribute to the subgroup for final review.
 - Discussion on engaging parents and families in the review process and how to get feedback on better understanding the barriers/challenges in communication and contact
- Attendance Forum
 - Erica Bromley provided an overview of the attendance forum she assisted with in Northeast CT that engaged 8 different districts, a variety of education levels, and a variety of roles/positions
 - Discussion on replicating this forum in other parts of CT
 - i. Minimum of 3 hours in length, inviting elementary, middle, and high schools by dividing tables by educational level with a variety of districts
 - ii. Discussion on engaging LIST regions – Erica Bromley will reach out to LISTs to gauge interest in collaboration
 - iii. Discussion on creating a standardized toolkit for regions to use and hold their own attendance forums
- Next Steps
 - Timeline
 - i. Parent Brochure will be distributed in September
 - ii. Next Diversion Work Group meeting is 9/6/19
 - Meeting Frequency



- i. Next meeting will be in late September and, from there, it will be determined whether the group needs to meet every month (if an Attendance Forum will occur Fall 2019) or every other month
 - ii. Kelly Orts will send out next meeting date and location for subgroup
- Goals
 - i. 1 attendance forum in the Fall and at least 1 in the Spring 2020
 - ii. Parent brochure finalized and distributed
 - iii. Review data/data requests (truancy projects, intervention models, RED data, etc.)
 - iv. Discussion on reviewing SDE chronic absenteeism plan – Kathryn Meyer will follow up with John F.

Next Meeting- TBD (Late September 2019)