

# **Building Positive School Environments: A Comprehensive Guide to PBIS Implementation**

## **Course Syllabus**

### **Course Description**

This course provides a thorough exploration of Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) with a focus on creating positive school cultures. Participants will explore the core components of PBIS, learning how to integrate its principles into daily classroom routines to promote positive behavior. This course covers classroom PBIS, offering insights into teaching and reinforcing expected behaviors. Additionally, participants will become familiar with data-based decision-making within the PBIS framework, exploring methods for collecting and analyzing data to inform interventions. Tiered interventions will be addressed focusing on Tier 1, Tier 2, and Tier 3, and providing strategies for implementing and reinforcing positive behavior expectations at different levels. Lastly, this course examines the crucial role of family and community engagement in PBIS, offering students insights into effective strategies for involving parents and the community. By the end of the course, participants will be equipped with the knowledge and skills to create inclusive, supportive, and positive learning environments through the implementation of PBIS principles.

### **Course Objectives**

At the end of this course you should be able to:

- 1. Understand the foundational principles of PBIS and its applications in creating a positive school culture.
- 2. Understand and apply the principles of Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) in the classroom to create a positive and inclusive learning environment.
- 3. Develop strategies for integrating mental health awareness and support within PBIS frameworks.
- 4. Explore methods for collecting and analyzing data to inform decision-making within the PBIS framework.
- 5. Implement and reinforce positive behavior expectations within the classroom environment to create a supportive and inclusive learning environment.
- 6. Develop an understanding of Tier 2 support within PBIS, including its foundational systems and key practices, to effectively implement targeted interventions and enhance the overall school climate.
- 7. Understand Tier 3 support within PBIS, focusing on its essential systems and practices to effectively deliver individualized interventions and improve academic and behavioral success.
- 8. Explore strategies for involving families in the PBIS process to create a collaborative and supportive environment.

#### **Modules**

- Module 1: Introduction to Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS), Quiz 1
- Module 2: Classroom PBIS, Quiz 2
- Module 3: Integrating Mental Health within PBIS, Quiz 3
- Module 4: Data-Based Decision Making, Quiz 4
- Module 5: Tier 1 Interventions in PBIS, Quiz 5
- Module 6: Tier 2 Interventions in PBIS, Quiz 6
- Module 7: Tier 3 Interventions in PBIS, Quiz 7
- Module 8: Family Engagement in PBIS, Quiz 8

#### **Grading:**

Each quiz must be passed at an 80% or higher (retakes allowed).

#### **Format**

This is a self-paced, asynchronous (no required live meetings) course. Throughout the PD course, you will find it helpful to take notes along the way to assist with the quizzes. Within each module, you will find reflection assessments that are not graded but will help in your journey through the course.