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Evidence of Progress Monitoring

School District of Indian River County #SDIRCStrongerTogether

Date: 10/20/2020

School/Department:Indian River Academy

Action Step # and Description: (If more than one action step is evidenced here, please include all action step #'s and a brief description of each.)

Action Step 2.9 - Student Peer Mentorship

Monitor the implementation of a student to student peer mentorship program for African American students.

Explanation of Evidence:

Our peer mentorship programs have not begun because of the pandemic. Below are the steps we plan to take:

- 1. For the 2020-2021 school year, students in Grades 2-5 will be paired with a mentor from our own teachers who volunteer to be mentors and the Indian River Club volunteers. In addition, we will develop 5th grade students to be peer mentors for younger grades, as students are identified.
- 2. Our school counselor will send out an invite to teachers to get this program underway starting the second nine weeks. A meeting schedule will be developed, along with an action plan and activities, to create opportunities for the mentors and mentees to meet at least twice a month throughout the year and what the expectations are for the meetings.
- 3. Once COVID guidelines subside, we will also begin our peer reading program where we have reading buddies with different classrooms pairing up together)ex K and 5th).

Results of Action Taken:

Guidance counselor is sending out information and invitation this month to interested mentors, as well as pairing them with students in need of a mentor.

Reflection:

In reflection, COVID guidelines might not "subside" as quickly as we had hoped. We will begin to problem-solve barriers these guidelines create in order to begin implementation of this important program.