



SEEKS SES Community of Practice Call Schedule

Join us on the 3rd Wednesday of each month

1:00 to 2:30 p.m.

Link: [Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meet with school district, university, and community partners around a shared topic of interest, and workshop ideas and solutions. Learn more about the insight and knowledge being gleaned in the Project SEEKS SES grant. Each meeting will be facilitated by the Project SEEKS SES coordinator in conjunction with a school district/university partner and subject matter expert.

August 16, 2023: Chronic Absenteeism



Edward Wehrer, Superintendent of the Steel Valley School District

Dr. Jacquelin Rankine, Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh

Dr. Dakota Peterson, Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh

Join us for a conversation on chronic absenteeism, including one district’s story, current research on concepts that contribute to chronic absenteeism and strategies that may help engage students into coming back to school.

September 20, 2023: Violence Interruption



Megan Van Fossen, Superintendent of the Sto-Rox School District

Lee Davis, CEO of Lee Davis & Associates Consulting

Learn how one district is tackling violence both in the school and the community by employing a program titled V.I.B.E. (Violence Intervention Building Empowerment.) This program aims to support students both in and out of the school building to prevent violence, build relationships and provide mediation as needed.

October 18, 2023: Youth Engagement Support Services Program



Penn Hills School District and Pressley Ridge

Learn how Penn Hills partnered with Pressley Ridge to provide a Youth Engagement Support Services (YESS) team to the district. The Y.E.S.S team helps handle conflict, secure the hallways and participates in mediations and family conferences.

November 15, 2023: Building a Wellness Continuum by Connecting Youth, Families, Community & School



Duquesne City School District and The Office of Child Development at the University of Pittsburgh

December 20, 2023: Handle with Care- How Does This Police and School Connection Really Work? One District’s Story



Highlands School District

January 17-2023: Moving to Wellness - Creating Mental Wellness Spaces in Your Building.



Cornell School District and Wesley Family Services

Topics to be determined: February 21, March 20, April 17, May 15th