Session 1: RTI/MTSS-Behavior: Homework Ideas

Here are some optional ideas for ‘homework’ to consider before session 2 on Th 28 February 2019.

1. **Sketch Out Your RTI/MTSS-Behavior Plan.** Use the *RTI/MTSS for Behavior: District-Wide Planning Tool* to begin developing an RTI/MTSS-Behavior plan that meets the needs of your school or district.

2. **Conduct Your Own Behavior Needs Assessment.** Your team can replicate the behavior-needs assessment activity we did today (using posted PowerPoints and needs-assessment handout) with one or more groups back in your school or district. (Conducting a behavioral needs assessment is a good starting point to building staff support for RTI/MTSS-Behavior.)

3. **Assess & Promote a Positive Belief System Among Staff.** Use resources from the workshop page to address staff beliefs about student behavior. Options include:
   - having staff complete the *Beliefs About Behavior* questionnaire. This measure will give you insight into current staff attitudes. (Directions for administering and scoring this questionnaire are posted in today’s PowerPoint.)
   - presenting *Big Ideas in Behavior Management*. Use the PowerPoint & handout to convey positive, research-supported ‘big behavioral ideas’ to staff. (These ‘big ideas’ foster positive attitudes toward challenging behaviors.)

4. **Define Expectations for Classroom Behavior Interventions.** Use the handout *What Are Your Expectations of the Teacher as Behavior-Management ‘First Responder’?* to foster a discussion in your school/district about minimum expectations for teacher-led classroom interventions. (This work will prepare you for our reviewing of a classroom toolkit for behavior interventions in our next session.)

5. **Map Your School Programs/Practices that Support SEL.** Review the *New York State Social Emotional Learning (SEL) Benchmarks*. Inventory any programs and practices in your school that potentially could support each of the benchmarks.

6. **Build Your Own Homework Assignment.** Review the content and activities from today’s workshop. Create any homework assignment(s) that will help you to advance your RTI/MTSS-Behavior model.