

Tier I Successes

Smyrna Primary School Rutherford County Schools

Smyrna Primary has seen great success since implementing RT12-B. Their school-wide expectations are posted throughout the school and reviewed in a video starring students who describe and demonstrate each expectation throughout key areas in the building. Smyrna Primary has adopted a school-wide reward system for students who demonstrate the expectations. These strategies, along with intensive training sessions for teachers, have produced amazing results. **In the fall semester, Smyrna Primary saw an 81.2% reduction in ODRs. In November of last year, the school had 393 ODRs while this year they have reduced that number to 74!**

Smyrna Primary is working diligently with their buses to assist drivers in managing student behavior during rides. They have created expectation posters for drivers to post. Staff also held a breakfast for bus drivers. While sharing a meal together, they discussed expectations for students and got feedback from the drivers on what was critical for them. School-based staff explained the new Tier I system to them as well. **Since implementing this system, Smyrna Primary has seen a 71.8% reduction in bus referrals. In November of last year, they had 117 bus write-ups while this year they have only had 33!**

Smyrna Primary has found that solid Tier I expectations, along with a team commitment to ensuring these expectations are practiced throughout the building, has changed the overall feel of their building and students are able to feel successful when entering school.



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