

## **Sustaining Success: Investing in Showing Up**

# Attendance Awareness Campaign Webinar #4 Discussion Guide Wednesday, September 27, 2023

Below are a suggested set of discussion questions for schools and communities to use when considering insights gained from this webinar. Feel free to use some or all of the questions to prompt a rich conversation about how to take action.

### 1. School Nurses Play a Critical Role

- a. What role do school nurses play in your district or school?
- b. How can you engage school nurses in your attendance and engagement efforts?
- c. What information from this webinar can you share with your colleagues about the importance of school nurses in reducing chronic absenteeism?

#### 2. Evidence-Based Home Visits

- a. Connecticut's <u>Learner Engagement and Attendance</u> (LEAP) program presented this evidence-based home visiting model. What key findings resonate with you?
- b. How is your district, community or school engaging in home visits?
- c. Who from your school or district can benefit from this information?

#### 3. Mentorship as a Key Strategy

- a. What is your district or school doing to build sustaining relationships with students and families?
- b. How can you leverage mentorship as a strategy to improve attendance in your district/school?
- c. How can you engage students and families in the development of a mentorship program at your school or district?

#### 4. Sustaining interventions

- a. What attendance interventions are working to improve attendance in your district? How do you know?
- b. What resources can be leveraged to ensure effective interventions continue even with the end of Covid-19 relief funds?