

# Buffalo County Well-Being Collaborative: Youth, Children, and Adolescent Workgroup

Priorities Developed at August 24, 2022 Meeting from Past, Present and Future Community Assessment

Connection #1 Parent Education/ Family Involvement	
Shared Connection	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Partnering with families for growth.</li> </ul>	
Ideas/Plans to Achieve Priority	Status/Metrics Reporting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parents and providers partnering to provide education.</li> <li>Decide what the focused education will be (self-control/exec functioning)</li> </ul>	
Additional Comments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How to reach families early (birthing centers)</li> <li>Offer nutrition and health classes in schools before college</li> <li>Building an understanding of what we will focus on for education (Executive Functioning/Self Control)</li> <li>Skills to start school (self-control, literacy controls, social emotional skills vs literacy skills, how we get along with others)</li> <li>Employers are in need of strategic thinking skills which is often lacking in today's workforce.</li> </ul>	

Connection #2 Mental Health	
Shared Connection	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Encouraging and modeling mental well-being for children, families, and adults.</li> <li>Educating, learning, and modeling how to communicate/express difficult behaviors.</li> <li>Building healthy trusting relationships, support networks, and connections.</li> <li><b><i>(Need to work on this draft as final draft was not completed at meeting)</i></b></li> </ul>	
Ideas/Plans to Achieve Priority	Status/Metrics Reporting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A toolkit or a navigation plan to ensure all youth have a connection to a caring adult</li> <li>Who is doing this well and how do we build on it</li> <li>education to teachers about what kids need (no recess)</li> <li>Appointments after hours and weekends</li> </ul>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maybe opportunities with manage care and telehealth</li> </ul>	
<b>Additional Comments</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invite health care to this work</li> </ul>	

<b>Connection #3 Workforce</b> <i>(tied with Accessibility)</i>	
Shared Connection	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Building, supporting, and sustaining a quality career workforce.</li> </ul>	
Ideas/Plans to Achieve Priority	Status/Metrics Reporting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand if employers are able to increase pay</li> <li>• Understand what is currently happening (survey)</li> <li>• Need employers at the table to align with our work</li> </ul>	
Additional Comments	
<b>Connection #4 Accessibility</b> <i>(tied with Workforce)</i>	
Shared Connection	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Every person should have access to services to meet their basic needs.</li> </ul>	
Ideas/Plans to Achieve Priority	Status/Metrics Reporting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How do we find what basic needs are for people in our community?</li> <li>• Do we have a list of basic needs services available?</li> <li>• Families who fall through cracks, building that safety net</li> </ul>	
Additional Comments	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invite health care to this work</li> </ul>	

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Connection #5 Technology	
Shared Connection	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Balance the positive and negative impacts of technology, and using it to communicate effectively.</li> </ul>	
Ideas/Plans to Achieve Priority	Status/Metrics Reporting
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Find research for 10 tips to effective use of technology</li> <li>Technology is a communication skill, education on how to use it effectively</li> </ul>	
Additional Comments	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Invite health care to this work</li> <li>Not to be shaming of parents</li> <li>Resources to talk about toys that promote learning (noting technology around Christmas)</li> <li>Know how technology impacts the brain (take the small screen away)</li> <li></li> </ul>	

Community partners in attendance voted to create a prioritized list of shared connections with at least two possible action steps. This information will be presented at the September 28 Collaborative Meeting.

Rankings by those in attendance (with votes #):

Parent Education/Family Involvement: 14

Mental Health/Difficult Behaviors: 8

Workforce: 7

Access to Basic Needs: 7

Technology : 1