

Three Rivers Local School District



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Children's Home CEO and President Visits Three Rivers Local School District

Cleves, January 10, 2018 – Three Rivers Local School District focuses strongly on core values (cultivating excellence, inspiring innovation, and nurturing inclusion) and how these values drive the decisions being made. There are no exceptions, especially to the way in which students are served for mental health well-being. The District partners with the Children's Home of Cincinnati, with four in-house licensed social workers; serving all students grades kindergarten through twelfth.

Children's Home's President and CEO, John Banchy, is committed to the betterment of services provided and the outcomes achieved. Currently, The Children's Home of Cincinnati is a leading provider of education and mental health treatment for children facing significant social, behavioral, and learning challenges. Mr. Banchy's dedicated mindset continues to keep them on the forefront of innovation with their services.

In January, Mr. Banchy took the time to personally visit some of the Districts to which are currently running a successful model with in-house Children's Home social workers. During his visit to Three Rivers Local School District, Mr. Banchy participated in a conversation with the District's Superintendent, Principals, Director of Student Services and Children's Home Social Workers to discuss what makes the services so successful at Three Rivers. Mr. Banchy asked the members around the table to provide feedback of ways his organization can have an even greater impact on families. During this time, he said, "we all have the same thing in common; we want to improve the outcome of our students." During the near hour of discussion, the only theme was bettering services for students. The team brought innovative ideas to the table and spoke in length about how to avoid punishing the behavior and focus on helping the issue. In line with this topic, Elementary Principal, Adam Biedenbach, made the decision in the first quarter of the school year to return a behavior unit to main campus. When reflecting on the compliment he received for this decision, Mr. Biedenbach mirrored Mr. Banchy in his response as well. "Our goal is, and always has been, for all students to have as normal of a school day as possible with their peers and the education they receive," he stated with fidelity.

The Children's Home of Cincinnati will continue their building tours and conversations with staff to have an ever-changing and ever-improving model that continues to service students and their families to the best of their ability. When commenting on the most recent restructuring of the

organization, Mr. Banchy stated, "I don't ever want to do something for the 'business model'; I want to do it for the improvement of all kids."

Three Rivers puts their heart into ensuring the overall well-being of every student that walks through the doors and could not be more proud to do it with the partnership of The Children's Home of Cincinnati.

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