



Blue RIBBON
Schools of Excellence
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Back to School!

Welcome back! Blue Ribbon Schools of Excellence (BRSE) wishes all schools the best as you head back to school! Nothing will have as great an impact on your success in life as a quality education. BRSE encourages all stakeholders to be involved in your school's success. Students - make sure you arrive at school on time, pay attention in class, do your homework and be kind to your peers. Administrators, teachers, and parents - guide students to always do their very best and to treat others the way they want to be treated – with kindness and respect. Together, we can transform our schools into high performing learning environments for all!



The students at Owens Cross Roads School in Madison County, Alabama are excited to be back at school! Owens Cross Roads School recently achieved BRSE Lighthouse School for the third time! Congratulations and keep up the good work!

BRSE Wants to Go Back to School with You!

How is your school doing?

Comprehensive Stakeholder Feedback

Convenient Online Process

Expert Validation and Assistance

Quick 40-Day Process

National School Recognition and Awards Program

Schedule Your BRSE Assessment Today!

Schedule at BlueRibbonSchools.com or Call 408-844-4BLU

BRSE Schools Sharing Lessons Learned:

PS 170, NY - As educators, it is important to maximize the time we have with our students. "Not having enough time" was the biggest concern for teachers at PS 170. This is where their school improvement journey began! By adopting a new approach to programming, PS 170 was able to provide staff with "enough time" to offer classroom instruction as well as specific targeted instruction to a select small group of students. This was pivotal to the success of a school with a large English Language Learner and special needs population. Through Small Group Instruction (SGI), teachers can provide additional lessons to their students for intervention as well as enrichment needs. In order to schedule SGI periods, PS 170 opted to departmentalize science and social studies programs. This allowed classroom teachers to focus solely on planning and implementing ELA and math. Along with SGI, PS 170 also designed a flexible programming schedule for special education classrooms. This allowed for specific students to benefit from exposure to a general education classroom (the least restrictive environment) throughout the school day. Flexible programming gave special education students the opportunity to receive their education to the maximum extent appropriate in classrooms with their peers.



Check out PS 170's session at this year's BRSE Conference to learn more about **Small Group Instruction and Flexible Programming >> Flexible Programming: Making the Most of Your Day!**

Make Your Plans to Attend our 20th Anniversary Event!

December 12-15, 2019 at Disney's Yacht Club Resort, FL

REGISTER TODAY!

Hotel is already 70% full. Make reservations at >>

mydisneygroup.com/brse20

Call for presenters! We are searching for the best of the best presenters to showcase best practices and effective education practices.

Submit your session proposal on our website >> www.blueribbonschools.com

Submit your proposal to present a concurrent session and join your colleagues in exploring best practices in professional learning. Submission deadline is October 15, 2019.

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Check us out at tallo.com and we look forward to connecting with you then!

HAVE A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR!

If you would like to share the excellent things your school is doing, send content to candice@blueribbonschools.com. Stay connected with us on social media.

Thanks for reading and stay tuned for next month's newsletter!

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