

2x10 Relationship Builder

2 x 10 is a Tier II intervention strategy that helps classroom teachers develop relationships with students. This strategy helps teachers connect with students that may be struggling academically, behaviorally, or have a hard time maintaining positive relationships.

Where to Begin

- 1. Identify a specific student.** Look for a student that may need support with behavior interventions.
 - a. It may be valuable to focus on a student who has a hard time maintaining relationships within the classroom setting--with teacher or peers.
- 2. Schedule your time.** Meet with student during independent work time, first thing in the morning, but never during students recess or specials. Students should never feel punished meeting.
- 3. Start a conversation.** Focus on building a positive relationship with student.
 - a. Conversation should 2 minutes or less.
 - b. Listen to student, encourage student to share non-academic topics with you about their day or life outside of school.
 - c. Be transparent and open share something personal/academic with student.

Effective Strategy Implementation

1. Keep conversation focused on students interest, do not focus on students schoolwork or behavior
2. Utilize conversation starters, questionnaire, or build upon what you already know about your student.
3. Consistency is key. Developing relationship with student by chatting with them 2 minutes over the course of 10 days conveys to student you care more than having one 20 minute conversation 1 day.
4. Ask open ended questions. Challenge student open up and talk if they are quiet.
5. Continue the momentum. After the 10 days have ended continue to engage with student regularly.



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