

Georgia School District Shares Their Check & Connect Journey



Effingham County Schools Describe the District's Check & Connect Implementation

Effingham County Schools in Springfield, Georgia implements Check & Connect in their high school, middle school, and upper elementary grades. Their Check & Connect implementation began by serving at-risk students in the district at the middle school level and has expanded from there. Mr. Travis Nesmith, Executive Director for Curriculum and Technology in the district, works to support Check & Connect along with his many other roles in the district.

The district recently created and shared a brief video describing their [Check & Connect Program](#) on the district website. In this video Ms. Sheryl Helmey, Student Intervention Specialist, shared their vision of Check & Connect and describes how they brought their vision to life. Ms. Helmey outlines work they do on a monthly basis to support coordinators and monitor fidelity of their implementation.

One of the schools involved in the program is Effingham Middle School. In the video, Assistant Principal Mr. Mark Weese describes their whole child approach and how teams go about making data-driven decisions. Mr. Weese also shares some of the ways he supports mentors and how mentors provide support to each other.

[Access the video here](#) to learn more about Effingham County Schools' work to support their Check & Connect students and mentors. Check & Connect is honored to be one of the interventions they use to improve student outcomes.