FL Check & Connect: Response to Distance Learning

Key Messages to Implementers:

Top Priority:

 Mentors should maintain communication with mentees and their families (consider use of video calling, telephone calls, emails, letters, etc.), knowing their mentor is still there for them may be a significant source of comfort to students and families

When feasible:

- Monitor student risk factors such as attendance and course performance (grades, missing assignments) and provide problem solving or other "connect" interventions needed
- Document meetings and "check" data on monitoring form or C&C App
- Convene school level C&C Mentor meetings virtually

Our team is here for you:

• We remain accessible and flexible for TA, trainings, resources and support. We are updating resources in Basecamp often, and checking in with districts and school implementers via email, zoom and telephone.

Temporary Program Evaluation Changes:

- Fidelity data will not be collected March-June
- Students will not take their annual Student Engagement survey in Spring (will take in fall instead)
- Feedback surveys, Mentor Practice Profiles, and missing fidelity prior to March is still being collected (with extended deadlines and enhanced support as needed)

Trainings:

- We have adapted Preparation and Implementation Training (with UMN permission) to virtual setting
- We have adapted Coordinator Training to virtual setting
- We have adapted Check & Connect training for virtual setting
- Adapted SPDG Capacity Coach training to virtual setting
- Trainer recertification trainings remain in virtual setting
- Mentor Trainings, Train the Trainer Workshops, and Coordinator/Mentor Summits will remain in-person and will be postponed as needed

Meetings:

- School and district meetings to occur via Zoom
- Monthly Coordinator Check-in Meetings remain virtual, recordings posted for asynchronous access on Basecamp
- Tutorial videos for using Basecamp, SPDG Data portal and C&C App have been created and made available on Basecamp to supplement user guides that can be utilized if you are unable to access live support

Resources:

- Held webinar focusing on Mentoring Virtual in March; (see recording in Basecamp- Coordinator Resources Zoom Links)
- Shared guidance on joining the national Check & Connect Community of Practice on Slack (a communication platform used by UMN)
- Created Covid-19 Resource Repository for Mentors in Basecamp which includes key guidance from C&C
 National/UMN, Mentor.org, Attendance Works, TNTP inc., American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, National
 Association for School Psychologists, etc. We are adding resources continuously as they are available