

## Universal Screening and Data Review

## Universal Screening Defined

- “Universal screening is the **systematic assessment of all children** within a given class, grade, school building, or school district, on academic and/or social-emotional indicators that the **school personnel and community** have agreed are important.”

• Source: Ikeda, Neessen, & Witt, 2009

### Screening for what? Externalizing Behaviors

- Displaying aggression toward objects or persons
- Arguing
- Being out of seat
- Not complying with teacher instructions or directives



Source: Walker and Sevenson, 1992

### Screening for what? Internalizing Behaviors:

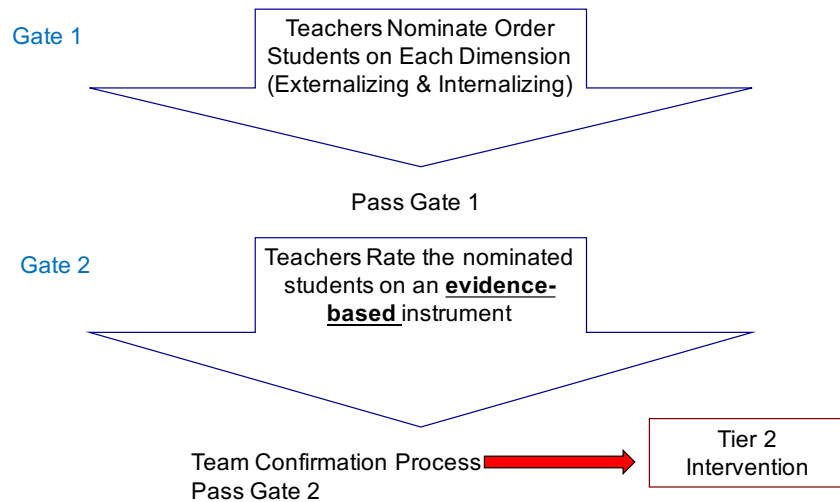
- Not talking with other children
- Being shy
- Timid and/or unassertive
- Avoiding or withdrawing from social situations
- Not standing up for one's self



Source: Walker and Sevenson, 1992

## Multiple Gating Procedure

(Adapted from Walker & Severson, 1992)



## Two Main Purposes of Universal Screening

- Structured input process to identify students in need of additional supports beyond Tier 1
- Examine the health and quality of Tier 1 support system

## Universal Screening

- Produces actionable information to put Tier 2 supports in place

## Team Confirmation Process

- Reviewing students and reviewing additional data to minimize diagnostic errors
  - Rule out false positives
    - Students who were incorrectly identified as in need of additional supports
  - Rule in false negatives
    - Students who were incorrectly identified as **not** in need of additional supports

## Determine System Capacity

- Who are Tier 2 case managers?
  - Who can help get the intervention up and running?
    - Counselor, school psych, admin, paraprofessional, teacher on special assignment
- How many students can you currently serve in the Tier 2 system of supports?

## Triage Students

- Ranking students from highest to lowest need
  - Need determined by score on universal screening
  - Complimentary source of data
  - Number of teachers who have a concern about the student