

EPISODE 281

Thoughtful Leadership Visibility Around The Holidays



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LEADERSHIP SHOW



Essential Question



How should I show up around campus as the holidays approach?

The Baseline



- Continue visiting 3 classrooms a day, every day
- Complete first round of formal observations
- Hallways, playground, cafeteria, events

You Set The Pace



- It's reasonable to do a small amount of seasonal fun activities in class
- It's not reasonable to blow off the entire month of December
- Your presence in classrooms and the messages you send make a big difference

Class Parties



- If teachers have class parties, try to stop by
- Junk food—take a plate & toss it later

The Off-Campus Staff Party



- Who's hosting?
- What has the norm been in the past?
- How is your relationship with staff?
- Is there a particular tension currently?
- Any complications re: alcohol?

Signs of Stress



- Be on the lookout for staff & students who may need support
- Spend extra time talking with staff who are at risk of not returning after the break
- Expect people to be feedback-averse

Never Too Late To Start



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