

Creating a True Alternative to Traditional Schools

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A Little Bit About Us

- Summit Ridge Academy is the Lee's Summit School District's Alternative School
- We serve students from 3 high schools and 3 middle schools in the LSR7 District (7-12)
- 90% of our students are voluntary students meaning they are given the option to attend SRA and they make that choice.
 - Credit Lag
 - Attendance Issues
 - Discipline Issues
 - Mental Health



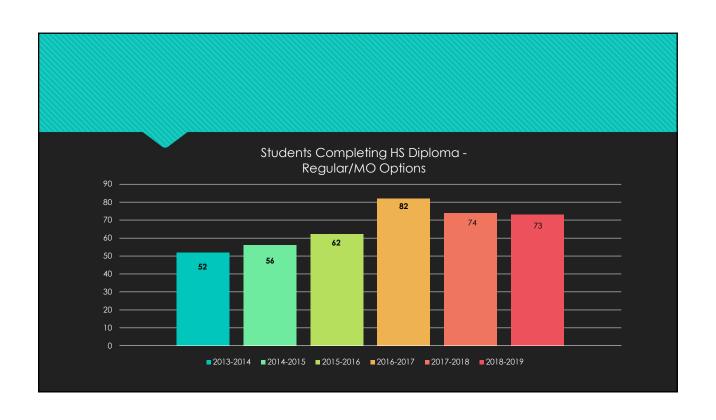
- 125-130 in the program each quarter
- Approximately 10% of students are assigned by administrative placement or LTS
- 95% of students are in credit
- Approximately 12% of students are on an IEP

We must acknowledge that our students are coming to us with all kinds of "things" that make school not the most important thing We must embrace the power of relationships and take the time to learn our student's stories. We must acknowledge that there might just be a better way to reach our students so they can experience success both personally and academically We have to challenge ourselves to ask the right questions, face the often brutal truth, and then commit to making meaningful change

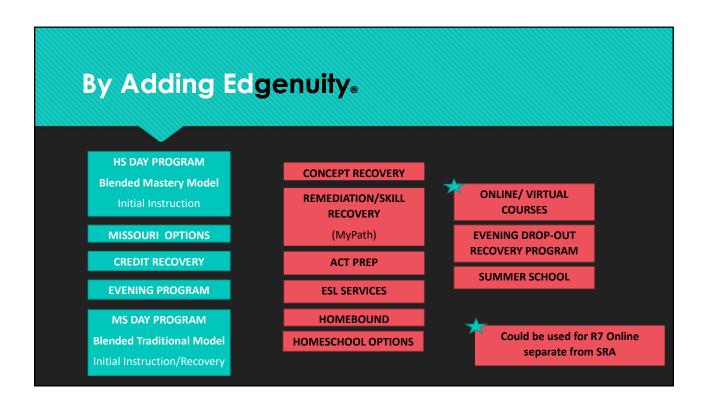
How We Do It at SRA Competency Based 9 Week Curriculum Blended Leaning/Instructional Model MO Options Trauma Informed Approach

How We Do It at SRA

- Start with Relationships
- OStudent Interviews: Laying the Groundwork
- ODaily Triage and Support, Sensory Boxes and Mindful Minutes
- We created a Safe Environment (classrooms and building)
- We changed our language (C.H.O.I.C.E.S., DBT, Attunement Activities)
- Changed our responses (Classroom Management, Discipline, Processing)
- We established a strong but flexible academic program
- OChanged the way we take care of ourselves and each other
 - ▶ Healthy Habits and Mindfulness (Yoga, Art Therapy, Meditation)







A Little Bit About JHS

- Joplin School Academy at Roi S. Woods
- We serve students from 1 high school with 2,400 students. Striving to add the Middle School next year.
- All of our students are recommended to us by the 4 High School Principals and/or the 5 High School Counselors. Reasons for attending.
 - Credit Recovery
 - Attendance Issues
 - Discipline Issues
 - Mental Health



- 154 in the program ongoing all year
- 94% of students are in credit recovery
- Approximately 11% of students are on an IEP

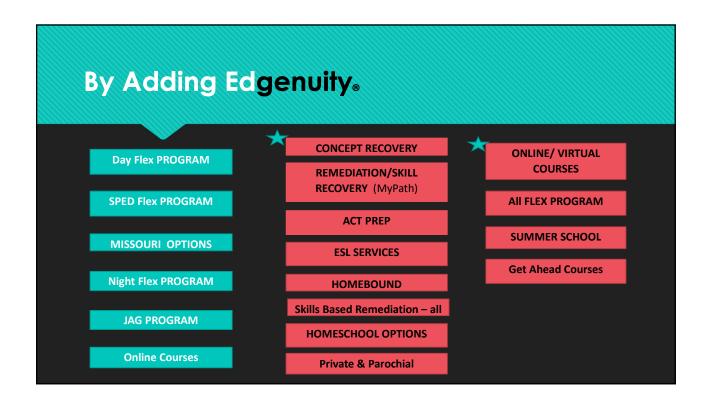
How We Do It at Joplin Alternative School

- O Competency Based (9 Week) Curriculum using Edgenuity
- O Flex Day Flex Night Flex SPED Flex JAG
- Online Learning Opportunities
- MO Options
- Working on Trauma Informed and Great Expectations Approaches

How We Do It at Joplin Alternative School

- OStart with building authentic Relationships
- OStudent Interviews with parents there
- Using a holistic approach to the child with Body & Mind exercises
- OProvided a Safe Environment
- OStaff language changed "What is your story?"
- OChanged our responses with Great Expectations. (Classroom Management, Discipline, Processing)
- We established a strong but flexible academic program and with 37 soft skill competencies
- Olt all starts with taking care of ourselves (staff).....

Programming Currently Offered at Joplin Alternative School Day Flex PROGRAM SPED Flex PROGRAM MISSOURI OPTIONS Night Flex PROGRAM Online Courses





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