

# PBIS

## POSITIVE BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTIONS AND SUPPORTS

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# Agenda

Need for PBIS

Implementation

Next Steps



# Objectives

1. To understand where PBIS fits into Arkansas School for the Deaf
2. To understand what is needed to implement PBIS
3. To understand how to implement PBIS
4. To develop a “next steps” plan



# Question for you

What are the biggest behavioral issues at your school?

“What do you think is the biggest behavioral issue at your school?”

Responses from students at 2 Arkansas High Schools-Combined



“What do you think is the biggest behavioral issue at your school?”

Responses from students at 2 Arkansas **Intermediate/Middle Schools** -Combined



# National Data

**Table 1.** Percentage of All Categories of Office Discipline Referrals ( $N = 112$  schools)

Behavior	<i>n</i>	Percentage of all ODRs	
		<i>M</i>	<i>SD</i>
Defiance/disrespect	45,203	24.2	12.5
Skip/truant	38,984	18.6	14.5
Tardy	44,674	17.7	19.3
Disruption	19,110	8.9	7.0
Other behavior	11,834	8.2	9.2
Abusive/inappropriate language	10,586	6.4	4.7
Fighting	6,255	4.7	4.3
Dress code violation	3,352	2.3	5.6
Harassment/bullying	1,988	1.6	1.8
Use/possession of tobacco	1,956	1.6	2.3
Use/possession of drugs	1,156	1.4	3.7
Lying/cheating	1,396	1.3	2.6
Forgery/theft	1,180	1.0	1.6

Link

K. Brigid Flannery, Pamela Fenning, Mimi McGrath Kato, & Hank Bohanon (2011, Journal of Emotional and Behavioral Disorders)



# Arkansas School for the Deaf Discipline Data

Student population  $\approx$  85 (Elementary, 2014)

Student population  $\approx$  40 (High School, 2014)

How many office referrals do you have in elementary per week?

In Middle School?

In High School?

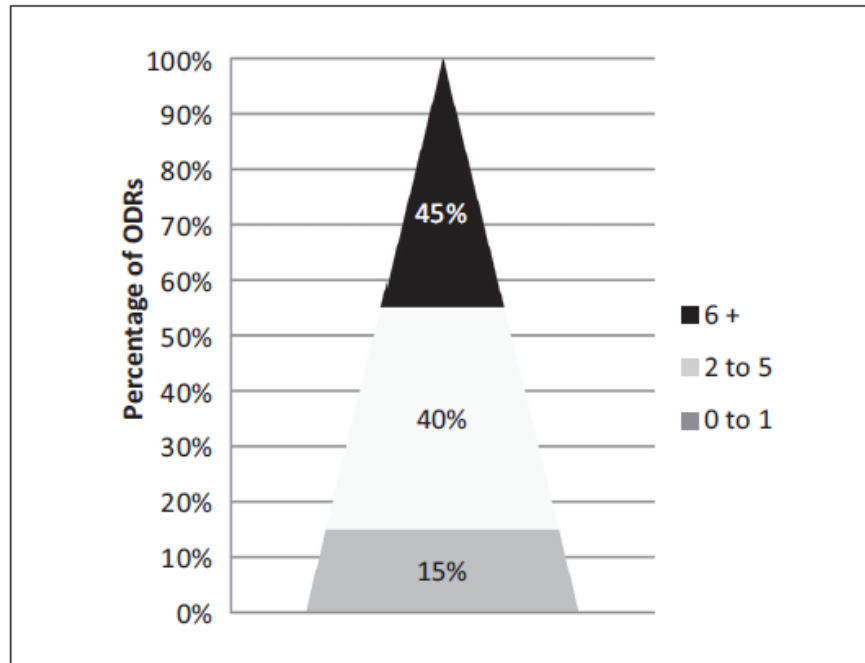


# Problem behaviors cost everybody TIME

COST/BENEFIT ANALYSIS WORKSHEET	
Enter info below	
Example school	2014-2015
Number of referrals for last year	200
Average # of minutes <b>student</b> is out of class due to referral	30
Average # of minutes <b>administrator</b> needs to process referral	20

	Student	Administrator
Minutes	6000	4000
Hours	100	67
Days	14	10

# Not All Students Contribute Equally



**Figure 1.** Mean percentage of office discipline referrals generated by students in the sample who received zero to five, two to five, and six or more office discipline referrals.  
Note: ODR = office discipline referrals. No. of schools = 112; No. of ODRs = 190,169; No. of students = 102,210.

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# Everybody loses when behavior is out of control

Students pay a price when schools tolerate the chronic bad behavior of a few

(Public Agenda, 2004).

78% of teachers feel their hands are tied

(Public Agenda)

Almost 1/2 of teachers have been accused of unfair discipline

(Public Agenda)

More than **30%** of school staff will leave the profession due to student discipline issues and intolerable behavior of students

(Public Agenda, 2004).



# The truth about discipline

Punishment is only effective in the short-term

Punishment is often inconsistent

School rules are sometimes vague or unenforceable

Need to pay attention to minor violations

# Rethinking School Discipline

Three guiding principles:

1. Positive School Climate
2. Clear, appropriate, and consistent expectation & consequences
3. Ensure fairness and equity

# Common school-climate goals

A clear and shared focus

High expectations for students

Good collaboration and communication

Supportive learning environment

**Do you have these? How do you know?**



# PBIS

- Research\* shows what works is having 3 levels of intervention:
  - Preventive strategies for all students
  - Targeted interventions for at-risk students
  - Individual interventions for students displaying disruptive or violent behaviors

*\*Sources: APA, 1993; Dwyer et al., 1998; Elliott et al., 2001; Tolan et al., 1995; H. M. Walker et al., 1996 ; Osher, Sandler, & Nelson, 2001*



# Goals with PBIS

Change behavior among teachers and staff

+

Change in behavior among students

=

Less disruption

+

More teaching time

+

Better school climate



# What do you gain?



## Decrease in:

- time spent on office referrals
- problem behaviors

## Increase in:

- collaborative decision making
- trust and respect among students and staff
- student achievement and attendance
- feeling of safety
- faculty retention



# A little history on PBIS

Early focus → students with behavior disorders

1997

- PBIS included in Individuals with Disabilities Education Act
- National Center for PBIS created

Focus shifted to school-wide behavior support for ALL students

Authorized inclusion of behavior in professional development



# Creating a new philosophy

PBIS is more than just adding interventions →  
it is a change in philosophy.

PBIS

✓ is proactive and positive approach to discipline  
✗ is not punitive discipline.

PBIS

✓ teaches, models, and encourages positive student behavior  
✗ doesn't wait for students to make a mistake.

# START WITH SOME DATA

School Climate (in development)

Teacher's Views (SAS)

Student Views



# Assessing your students' voice

Need student...

- ☐ buy-in
- ☐ involvement
- ☐ ownership

# Why is Student Voice Important?

We know that student achievement and engagement will increase when students have more ownership of their school community and of their learning.





# PBIS Student Voice Survey

Students can be meaningful partners in decision making!





# PBIS Student Voice Survey

**Intermediate, Middle and High School Students**

1. What do you think is the biggest behavioral issue at your school?
2. What is the best way to learn the 'rules' of how you are expected to behave at school?
3. For good behavior, what could an adult at your school give you? What would mean the world to you? It needs to be something that doesn't cost much money.
4. What would you change about how your school celebrates good student behavior?

# Example: Student Voice For Behavior Expectations

Question 1:

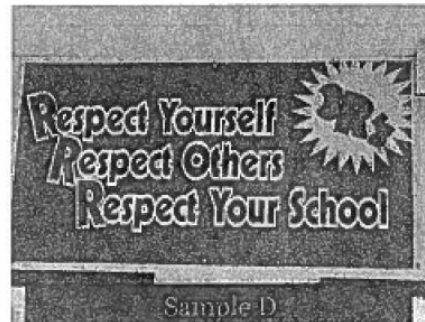
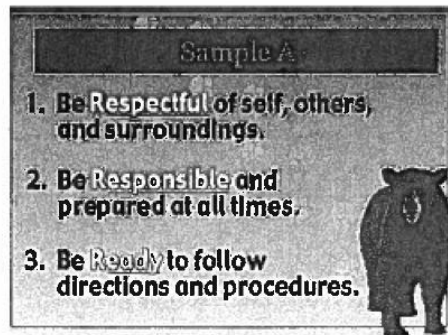
Please rate the expectations using this scale:

3= All or most of the students at my school would relate to this

2= This would be okay but not the best

1= I think most of the students at my school would not like this one

- Sample Number A: 3-2-2-3-2-2-1-2= total 19
- Sample Number B: 2-3-2-2-3-3-3-3-2= total 23 (winner)
- Sample Number C: 2-2-3-1-2-1-1-1-3= total 16
- Sample Number D: 3-3-1-1-1-3-2-2-3= total 19



By Laura A. Riffel, Ph.D.

# Example: Student Voice On Behavior Issues

Question 2:

What do you think is the biggest issue at your school?

- **Disrespecting teachers (SFT) (talking while teacher is talking all the time)**
- **Verbal bullying from one student to another (CT)**
- **Tardies or dressing out for PE**
- **One person said nothing was an issue at their school**
- **Racism**
- **Bullying-verbal**
- **Drugs**
- **Fighting**
- **Students are disrespectful to teachers; which shouldn't happen since the teachers do so much work.**
- **Being disrespectful to teachers and other students**
- **Kids being disrespectful of school property**
- **Kids not listening to the teachers when they are talking**
- **Kids not respecting or listening to teachers**
- **Profanity and bullying**
- **Kids don't care about getting into trouble**

By Laura A. Riffel, Ph.D.

# Student Voice On How To Learn The ‘Rules’

Question 3:

Once your school determines what their 3-5 behavioral expectations should be, how should they teach the expectations to the school?

4 votes ☐ short video clips of the students showing examples of these behaviors

1 vote ☐ short video clips of the staff showing examples of these behaviors

8 votes ☐ skits put on by the students

3 votes ☐ skits put on by the staff

0 votes ☐ described by staff at an assembly

6 votes ☐ described by student representatives at an assembly

0 votes ☐ individual teacher descriptions within each class

Other ideas?

Teachers doing something funny- teachers showing us how to act would work.

By Laura A. Riffel, Ph.D.

# How do you start PBIS?

1. Work with stakeholders: teachers and staff, students, parents
2. Self evaluate building strengths and needs (SAS)
3. Establish a clear set of positively stated behavioral expectations
4. Clearly define school-wide expected behaviors
5. Establish procedures for teaching behavior
6. Establish procedures for acknowledging behavior
7. Establish procedures for discouraging inappropriate behavior
8. Establish procedures for on-going monitoring and evaluation (Data)
9. Sustainability



**Establish a clear set of positively stated  
behavioral expectations**



# Examples Of Behavioral Expectations



## EXPECTATIONS

**B** - Believe

**E** - Effort

**A** - Attitude

**R** - Respect

**S** - Success







## **BATHROOM EXPECTATIONS**

### **BE RESPECTFUL**

- Allow for privacy
- Flush toilet

### **BE RESPONSIBLE**

- Use toilet quickly and quietly
- Keep bathrooms clean

### **BE SAFE**

- Use pass when alone
- Wash hands, keeping water in sink



# Elementary example

**Amparo Gutierrez  
Elementary**

**GATORS**  
will be...

**Safe**

- Keep hands, feet and objects to yourself.


**Respectful**

- Greet your community upon arrival and follow directives.

**Responsible**

- Arrive between 7:15 A.M. - 7:40 A.M. and report to your classroom.
- Breakfast: 7:15 A.M. - 7:35 A.M.

**ARRIVAL EXPECTATIONS**



# Example Of High School Behavior Matrix

## R3 Matrix



Reeds Spring High School students will be...	Classroom	Hallways	Cafeteria	Activities
<b>Responsible</b>	Be on Time Be Prepared	Be in Assigned Area Avoid Horseplay	Put Away Tray Clear Table Treat Food as Food	Participate in a Positive Manner Take Own Belongings When Leaving
<b>Respectful</b>	Be Attentive Use Appropriate Language Obey Teacher/Staff	Keep to the Right Keep Moving Use Appropriate Language	Wait in Line Use Appropriate Vocal Tone	Show School Spirit Display Sportsmanship Respond Appropriately

# PBIS Expectations in Sign Language

Expectation	Sign
Respect	 A man in a blue shirt performing the sign for 'Respect' in ASL, with both hands raised and fingers pointing up.
Responsibility	 A man in a blue shirt performing the sign for 'Responsibility' in ASL, with both hands near the chest and fingers pointing towards the center.
Safety	 A man in a blue shirt performing the sign for 'Safety' in ASL, with both hands crossed in front of the chest.

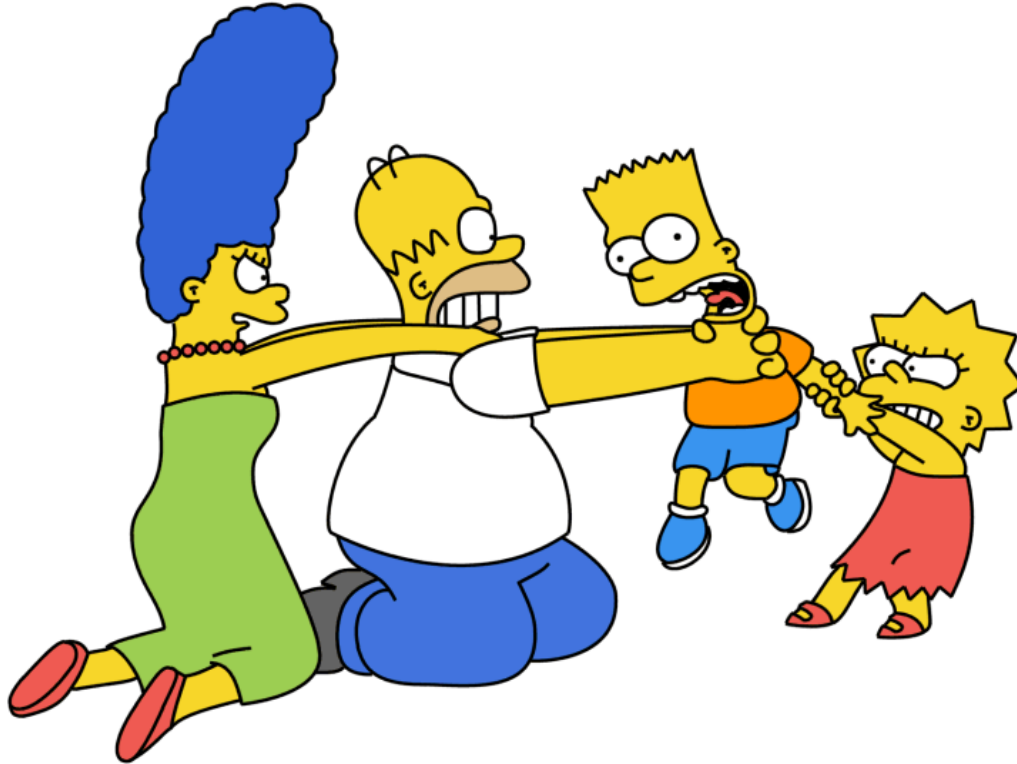
# Team Time

Create 3-5 school-wide expectations



# Teaching expected behaviors

# SHOULDN'T STUDENTS KNOW HOW TO BEHAVE BY NOW?



**“If a child doesn’t know how to read, we *teach*.”**

**“If a child doesn’t know how to swim, we *teach*.”**

**“If a child doesn’t know how to multiply, we *teach*.”**

**“If a child doesn’t know how to drive, we *teach*.”**

**“If a child doesn’t know how to behave, we...  
...teach?  
...punish?”**

**“Why can’t we finish the last sentence as automatically as we do the others?”**

# How? Develop Behavior Lesson Plans

- ***Aligned*** to school-wide expectations
- **Demonstrated by Adults**
  - *demonstrate both inappropriate and appropriate behavior*
- Role-played and ***practiced*** by students
- ***Feedback provided by*** Adults



# EXPECTATION: RESPECTFUL

## LOCATION: PLAYGROUND

### Teaching Examples (and non-examples)

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

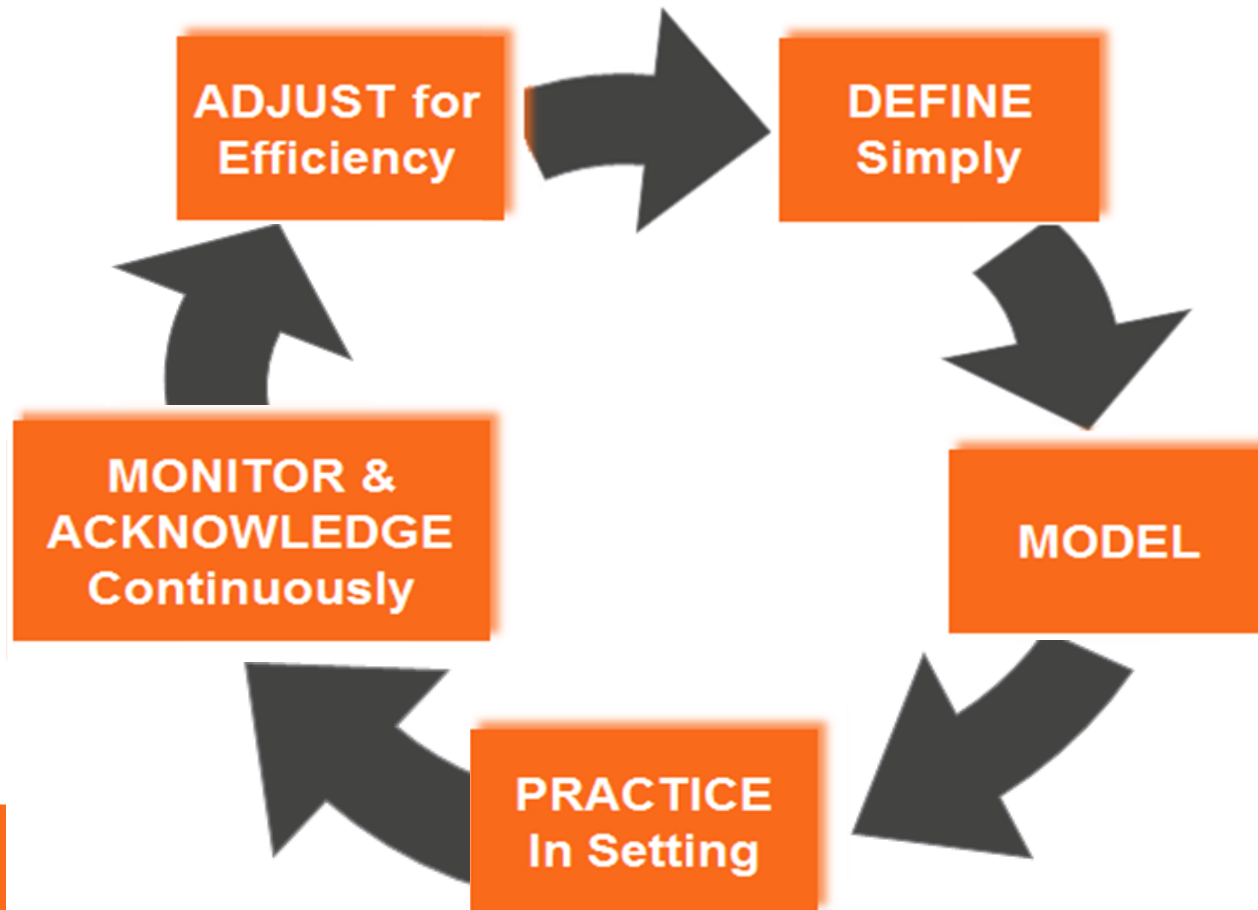
### Student Activity

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

### After the Lesson Discussion

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

# TEACH BEHAVIOR LIKE ACADEMICS



# TIPS IN TEACHING

- Create skits.
- create videos
- Use older students to show younger students



# ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXAMPLE

[https://youtu.be/HO-M\\_QpiG5o?t=3m19s](https://youtu.be/HO-M_QpiG5o?t=3m19s)



# ELEMENTARY SCHOOL EXAMPLE

<https://youtu.be/h7XHc9tdLpE>



# EXAMPLE: **TEACHING EXPECTATIONS** WITH “ROTATION STATIONS”



*Thank you to Brookland Middle School*

# STUDENTS TEACH “BOOSTER” TRAININGS





*Thank you to Brookland Middle School*



# Teaching Plan – Including Booster Activities

*- source: PBIS Illinois Network*

	Team Meeting Dates	Kick-Off	Report Self-Assessment Survey Results	Team Checklist Completed	Faculty Updates Activities/ Data	Boosters Updated	School Profile Completed	Safety Survey Completed	Celebrations/ Intermittent Acknowledge
AUGUST									
SEPTEMBER									
OCTOBER									



# Team Time

How can you teach ASD students the 'rules' for behavior?



# Plan to Acknowledge Expected Behaviors

Current acknowledgement practices



# Purpose For Encouraging Appropriate Behavior

Do you like being acknowledged?

Turn the behavior into a habit!

Students may encourage other students

Prompt adults to recognize good behavior



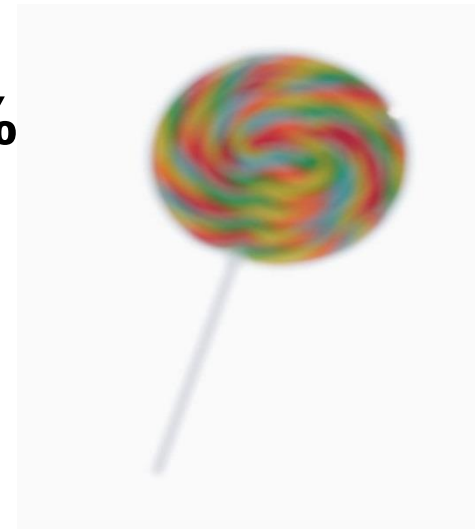
**Do Students Like Receiving Acknowledgements?**

**YES!**



# ***Student Answers to “ What types of rewards would you find motivating?”***

- A. Candy - 26%**
- B. Movie passes- 32%**
- C. Restaurant gift certificates- 33%**
- D. School supplies- 8%**
- E. E-RAB spirit wear- 52%**



This is question 20 from the rockford east survey....demonstrating how high school students like simple rewards. Thank you to Illinois PBIS Network

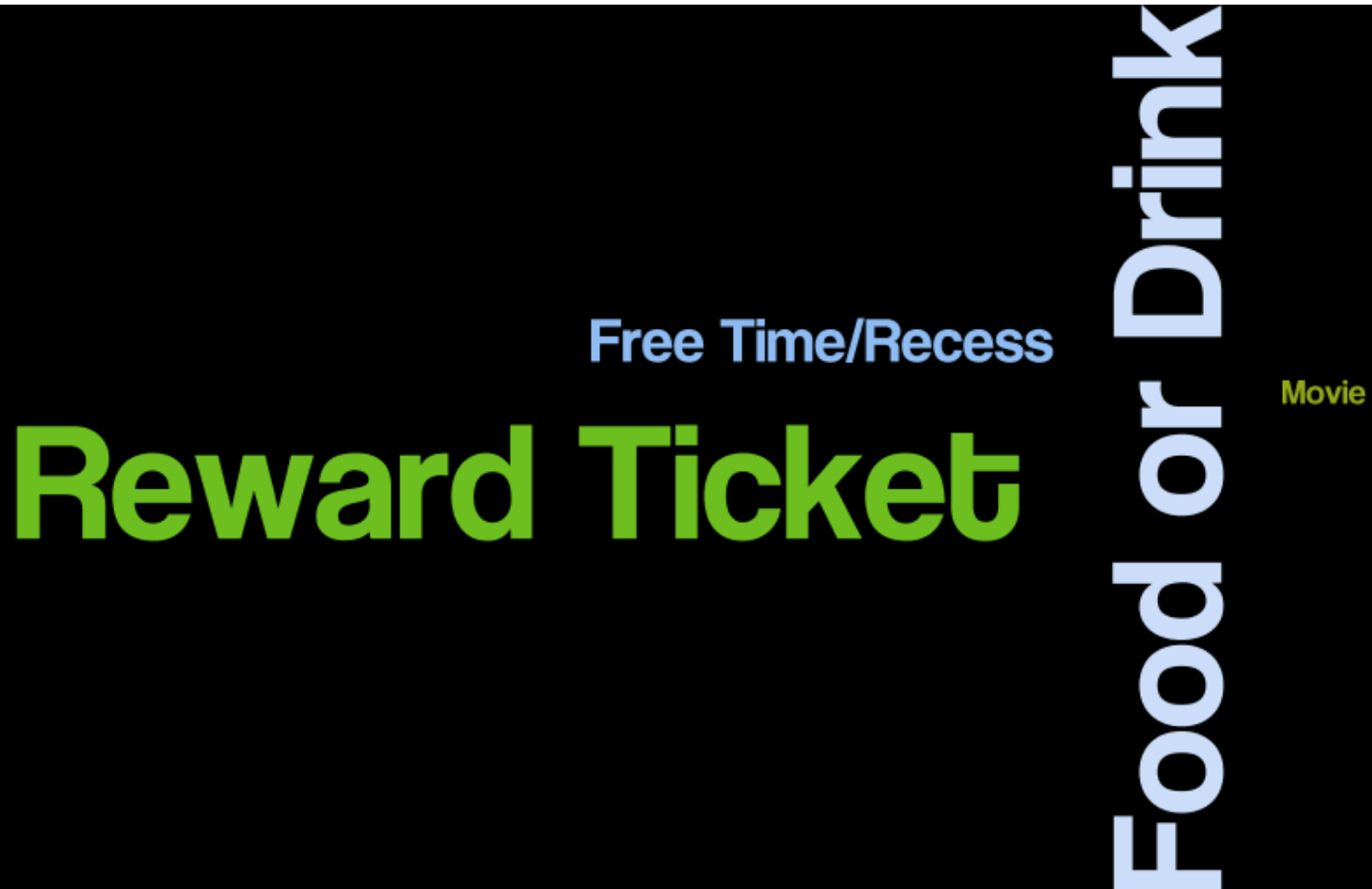
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responses combined





## DERENNE MIDDLE SCHOOL

### "GOTCHA'S"



This certifies that \_\_\_\_\_ was caught in the right place, at the right time and doing the right thing.

Check One

- \_\_\_\_\_ **S** howing respect to self, others, and property
- \_\_\_\_\_ **W** orking hard to achieve excellence and always being prepared
- \_\_\_\_\_ **I** nitiating positive communication to maintain positive behavior
- \_\_\_\_\_ **M** aking good choices to demonstrate dolphin pride

Observer: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

**SWIM WITH THE DOLPHINS!**

## GOT CAUGHT!

Was caught following the **OAKVILLE WAY** of:

**RESPECT**  
**RESTRAINT**  
**RESPONSIBILITY**



By \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

## THE WINNING TICKET



STUDENT: \_\_\_\_\_

TEACHER: \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ BE SAFE.
- ☐ BE RESPONSIBLE.
- ☐ BE RESPECTFUL.
- ☐ BE A LEARNER.

ISSUED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

**Gotcha - Gotcha - Gotcha**



Wilde Lake Middle School

Student Name / Grade 6 7 8 (circle one)

was caught being:

- ☐ Respectful
- ☐ Responsible
- ☐ Ready
- ☐ Safe

Teacher Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



# Team Time

How could you acknowledge expected behavior at ASD?



# Procedures For Discouraging Inappropriate Behavior

Have clear procedures for addressing inappropriate behavior

All staff have common understanding of what misbehaviors are minor and what are major

- ☐ (classroom/teacher managed vs. office managed)

Turn an incident into a teaching moment

- ☐ Explain what student did wrong
- ☐ Ask student what the expectation is

# T-CHART EXAMPLE

Staff Managed Behaviors	Office Managed Behaviors
<p>Minors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inappropriate Language</li> <li>• Physical Contact</li> <li>• Defiance/Insubordination/Non-Compliance</li> <li>• Disrespect</li> <li>• Disruption</li> <li>• Dress Code</li> <li>• Technology Violation</li> <li>• Property Misuse</li> <li>• Tardy</li> </ul> <p><i>Consequences are determined by staff</i></p>	<p>Majors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Abusive/Inappropriate Language</li> <li>• Fighting</li> <li>• Physical Aggression</li> <li>• Defiance/Insubordination</li> <li>• Harassment/Intimidation</li> <li>• Inappropriate Display of Affection</li> <li>• Vandalism/Property Destruction</li> <li>• Lying/Cheating</li> <li>• Skipping</li> <li>• Technology Violation</li> <li>• Dress Code</li> <li>• Theft</li> <li>• Arson</li> <li>• Weapons</li> <li>• Tobacco</li> <li>• Alcohol/Drugs</li> </ul>

# Office referral forms

## What needs to be recorded:

- Description of incident
- Date & Time of incident
- Location of incident
- Student name, Grade level
- Referring staff name
- Others involved
- **Motivation**
- Administrative decision or action

## OFFICE DISCIPLINE REFERRAL FORM

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_  
Referring Staff: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_

### Location:

- |   |                                    |                                       |
|---|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Classroom # _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> Cafeteria | <input type="checkbox"/> Parking Lot  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hallway            | <input type="checkbox"/> Lavatory  | <input type="checkbox"/> Bus          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trailers/Tech Wing | <input type="checkbox"/> Assembly  | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

### Problem Behaviors:

#### MINORS:

- ☐ 3-5 Repeat Minor Incident Reports
- ☐ 8-10 Combined Minor Incident Reports  
(Minor Incident Reports must be attached)
- ☐ Aggression/harassment (minor)
- ☐ Calling out
- ☐ Defiance/disrespect/insubordination
- ☐ Dress code
- ☐ Electronics/telecommunications
- ☐ Food/drink (outside cafeteria)
- ☐ Horseplay
- ☐ Inappropriate language/comments
- ☐ Lateness
- ☐ Leaving class w/o permission
- ☐ Leaving school w/o permission
- ☐ Preparedness
- ☐ Property misuse
- ☐ Throwing objects
- ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### MAJORS:

##### (Automatic Office Referral)

- ☐ Aggressive behavior (physical/verbal)
- ☐ Fighting
- ☐ Gambling
- ☐ Instigating conflict/disruption
- ☐ Significant vandalism
- ☐ Smoking (inside building)
- ☐ Truancy (checklist must be attached)
  - \_\_\_ Class
  - \_\_\_ School

☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Category III Offense (please specify)  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Description:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Others Involved:

\_\_\_\_\_

### Possible Motivation:

- |   |  |                                      |
|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Avoid adult(s)         | <input type="checkbox"/> Obtain adult attention  | <input type="checkbox"/> Don't know  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Avoid peer(s)          | <input type="checkbox"/> Obtain items/activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Avoid tasks/activities | <input type="checkbox"/> Obtain peer attention   |                                      |

### Administrative Decision:

- |  |   |  |
|--|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conference w/ student | <input type="checkbox"/> Class suspension         | <input type="checkbox"/> PPW suspension      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Parent Contact _____  | <input type="checkbox"/> In-school detention      | <input type="checkbox"/> Board suspension    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Detention _____       | <input type="checkbox"/> Out-of-school suspension | <input type="checkbox"/> Referral to PST/ARD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____           |   |  |

### Administrative Comments and/or Follow Up:

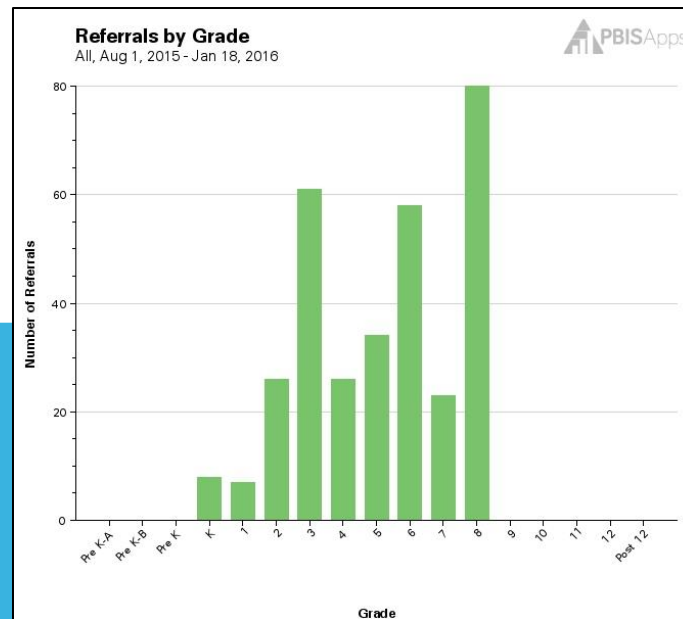
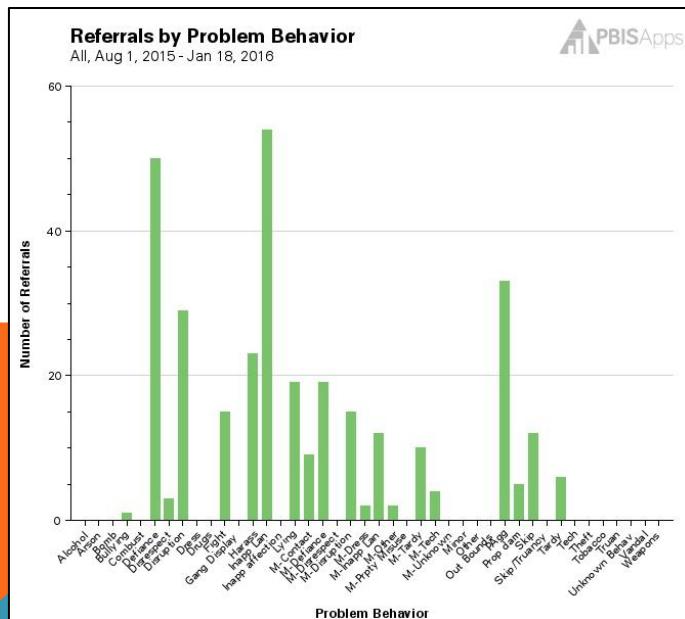
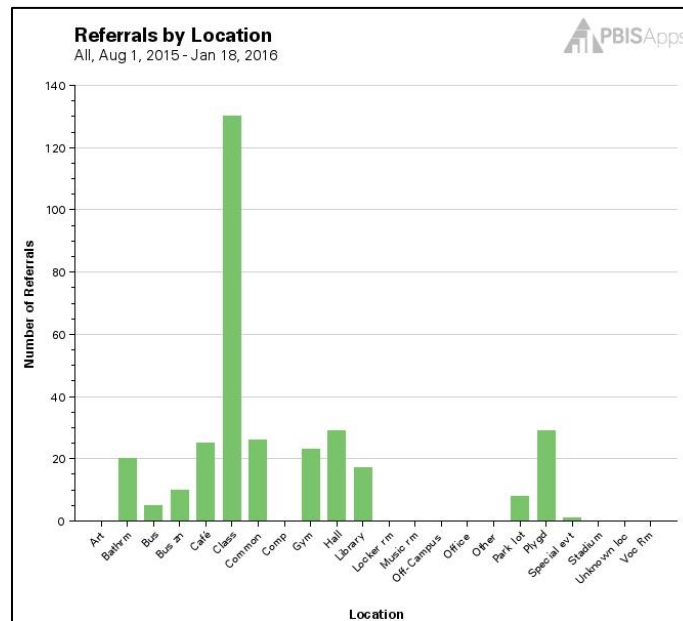
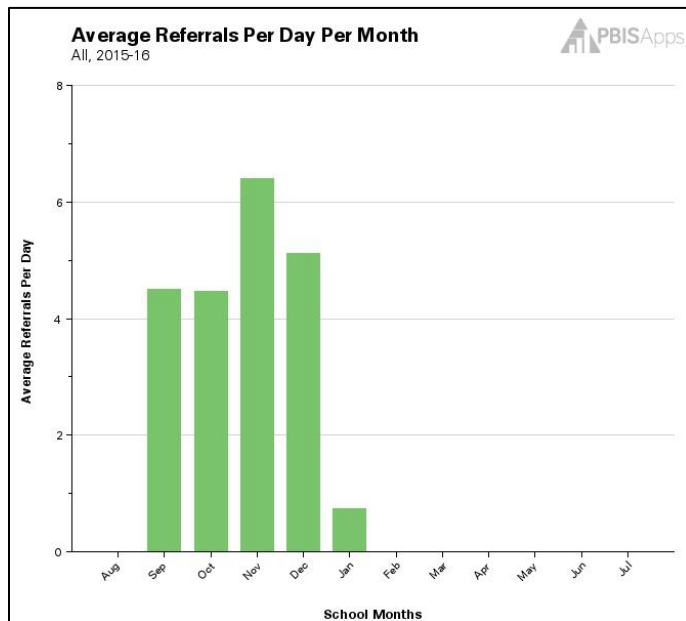
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# Progress Monitoring

Develop a routine for collecting and analyzing discipline data

# PBIS team should regularly look at these data

- What incidents are happening?
- How often are they happening?
- Who is involved?
- Where are incidents occurring?
- When are incidents occurring?





**Who will lead PBIS efforts?**

**Your PBIS Team!**



# The PBIS team

Represents the school

Provides leadership

Uses data for decision making



# Create a dream team

Represent ...

Administration

Grade levels

Demographics of school

Various abilities/competencies

Physical areas of the school

Various types of staff



# Leadership

Team leads the implementation process

- Collaborative problem solving
- Providing support to other staff
- Communicating with staff, students, families, community
- Progress monitoring for continuous improvement

# Team responsibilities

Develop the school-wide PBIS action plan

Monitor behavior data

Hold regular team meetings (at least monthly)

Maintain communication with staff

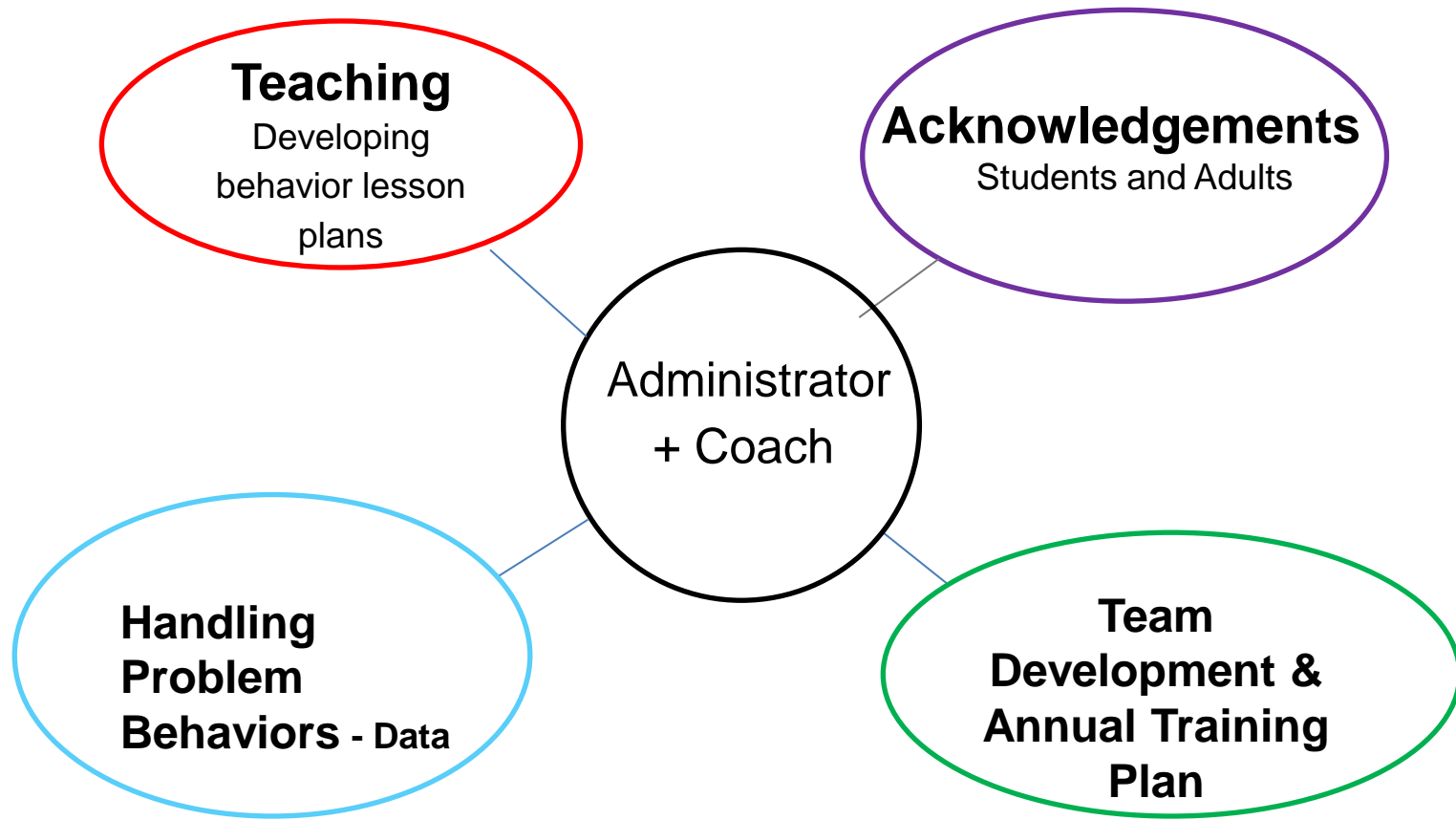
Provide support to staff

Evaluate progress

Report outcomes to Coach & District Coordinator



# PBIS team responsibilities



# PBIS Readiness Checklist – Arkansas School for the Deaf



## Arkansas PBIS Training Readiness Checklist

School: Arkansas School for the Deaf

Date: 2-18-16

Expectations	Complete:	
	Yes	No
1. School-wide discipline is one of your top three school improvement goals		
2. Your faculty and staff have been presented with an overview of PBIS. <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;"> <b>Type of presentation and presenter:</b> </div>		
3. A majority of your faculty, staff, and administration are interested in implementing PBIS school-wide.		
4. The Principal is committed to implementing PBIS and is aware that this is a multi-year process that may require ongoing training and revisions to the PBIS plan, which will need budgeting.		
5. A PBIS Team has been formed, has broad representation, and has assigned roles (e.g., teachers, administrator(s), support staff, counselor, parents, etc.)		
<b>Team Member</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Role</b>



# Sustainability: How Do You Keep PBIS Going?

## You make PBIS a priority!

- Visibility
- Written policy
- Connect to other initiatives

## Make it effective

- Evaluate fidelity
- Share data

## Make it efficient

- Repetition builds fluency
- Over time, less resources needed

## Make it adaptive to change

- Use data





## Action Planning : Multi-tiered Action Plan = MAP

## Illinois PBIS Network – Multi-Tiered Action Plan (MAP)

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**Directions:**

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Use one action plan to coordinate all of the building's PBIS implementation steps. This is a sample format; others can be used for the same purpose.
2. Sources of actions steps come from trainings, as well as tools such as BoQ, Pol, SAS, SSS, School Profile, etc.

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# Team Time: PBIS Action Planning

What would your priority steps be to getting started?



# Recap

1. To understand where PBIS fits into Arkansas School for the Deaf
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Our Appreciation To The Following For Sharing  
Resources On The Internet:

**[www.pbisapps.org](http://www.pbisapps.org)**

**[www.pbis.org](http://www.pbis.org)**

***Illinois PBIS Network:***

**[www.pbisillinois.org](http://www.pbisillinois.org)**

***Wisconsin PBIS Network:***

**<http://www.wisconsinpbisnetwork.org/>**

***Missouri Schoolwide Positive Behavior***

***Support: [www.pbissmissouri.org](http://www.pbissmissouri.org)***

***The PBIS Compendium – Special School  
District, St Louis MO:***

**<http://pbiscompendium.ssd.k12.mo.us/>**

# **PBIS And Schools For The Deaf**

Lexington School for the Deaf

New York School for the Deaf

Illinois Service Resource Center

Louisiana School for the Deaf

