Steckel Elementary

Student

Assistance

Program

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- The goal of the Steckel Student Assistance Program (SAP) is to assist students who are experiencing academic and/or behavioral difficulties that may act as a barrier to student success.

- Through the SAP process, barriers to student learning are identified and removed in order to help students to achieve success.

- The Steckel SAP Team is a group of dedicated, trained and certified individuals who work with students and their parents to remove barriers to learning and school success so that students can achieve, remain in school, and advance.

TEACHERS & PARENTS AS PARTNERS

- Teachers and parents are valued as a caring source of information about students

- A teacher or parent who has concerns about a student should complete the referral form located on the tower

- Additional behavioral checklists will be sent to the referring teacher and all others involved with the student

- All information is completely confidential and forms are destroyed after all information is received and collated

Steps in the SAP Process

1. Referral
2. Team Planning
3. Interventions
4. Follow-Up & Support

1. Referral

Reasons for referring a student for SAP:

- Noticeable change in friends and/or behavior
- Change in grades
- Conversations about drugs, alcohol or any other destructive decisions
- Comments about problems at home
- Signs of depression

2. Team Planning

Include the following:

- School records (attendance, discipline, health records)
- Checklists from teachers
- Parent response data
- Student interview
- Other (IEP, 504, etc.)

3. Interventions & Recommendations

- A plan is developed based on student STRENGTHS and identified needs
- The team assists in linking the student to in-school and/or community-based services and activities
- The team might also recommend a Behavioral Health Assessment

-Confidentiality Laws – releases signed by student and parents will determine how much information the school receives about the results

-Common Assessment Recommendations

-Outpatient Drug & Alcohol

-Family Counseling

-Individual Counseling

-Anger Management Classes

-A comprehensive plan may include a variety of interventions

-Through the BHA, a student may be linked directly to mental health or drug & alcohol treatment (as needed)

4. Follow-Up & Support

- The SAP team continues to work with and support the student and their family
- Follow-up includes monitoring and motivating the student for academic success
- The team can plan in-school support services during and after treatment for students receiving outside care
- The SAP team continues to monitor the student's progress
- ALL members of the team need to be kept current on the student's/family's progress
- Revisit the success of the plan
- Modifications to the plan should be made when necessary

Although SAP stands for "Student Assistance Program," this program supports classroom teachers, families and all members in the school community. Cooperation and collaboration among all school and community members is essential.

*School success is our ultimate goal.