

Student Assistance Program



Who Can I Contact?

The student's guidance counselor may be contacted for additional information.

Phone

215-723-2808

Fax

215-723-6352

SAP

Who can refer my child to SAP?

Teachers, school staff, parents, and peers are the source of student referrals. Students can also seek help for themselves.

What Is SAP?

SAP (Student Assistance Program) is a state-mandated program developed to help students, teachers, and staff members in dealing with concerns about students who are believed to be experiencing barriers to learning

The **Student Assistance Program** can help children experiencing barriers to learning.

How is the Student Referred?

Students may be referred to the SAP team by completing a SAP Referral Form, available either in the main office, guidance department or from a team member. Completed forms should be placed in an interoffice envelope and returned to a team member's mailbox.

What Happens to the Data?

The data gathered by the behavior survey is analyzed for patterns. State law requires that SAP notify the student's parent/guardian of the reported behaviors. During this exchange, the SAP team will offer assistance.

Who Are the team members?

The core team members consist of staff admin who have been trained to assist the student and his/her family in identifying problems that impact on the student's ability to function successfully in school, and to offer assistance in alleviating these problems.

Additional Information

The SAP identifies students who may be at risk or are experiencing transitional barriers. The team also informs students, parents and school staff about the available student assistance services. Parents are encouraged to become a part of the SAP process. This program is an intervention process, not an in-school treatment program.

Confidentiality

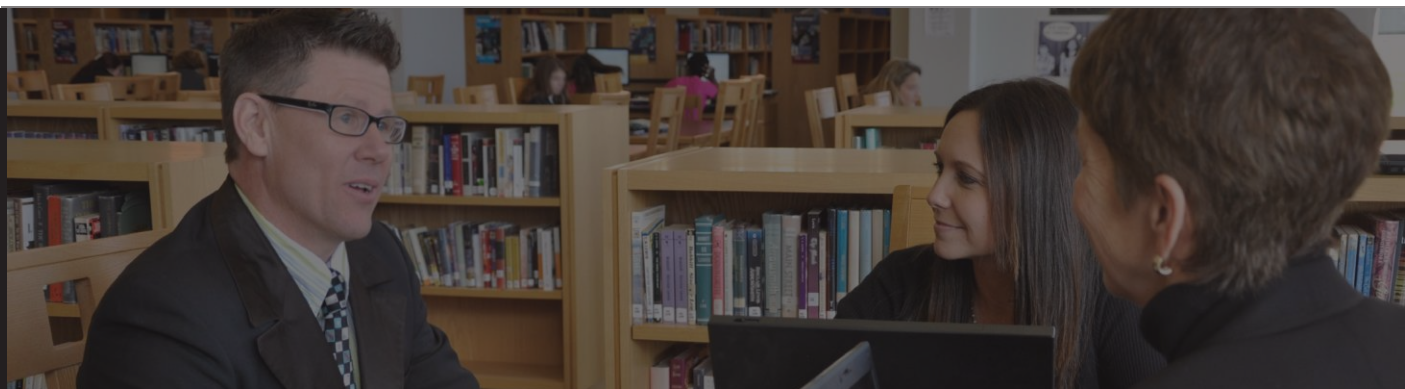
Privacy is important for the student, parent, teacher and administrator. The SAP team information is completely confidential and the team will respect you and your child's privacy at all times. Information gathered by the SAP team is extremely confidential. The names of specific school personnel are never mentioned.

What is an Intervention?

When reporting the behavior survey to the student's parent/guardian, the SAP team will offer to meet with the student and parent to share and discuss the reported concerns. If a parent is unable to meet with SAP representatives, concerns can be discussed and shared through a phone conference.

Mission Statement

SASD recognizes students are subject to a variety of internal and external pressures. The mission of our Student Assistance Program (SAP) is to identify at-risk students through referrals and intervene in an effort to promote achievement and academic success. We seek to promote healthy, safe and substance free lifestyles by connecting these students and their families with appropriate school based or community resources.



What Happens After the SAP Team Receives a Referral?

The SAP team meets weekly to discuss the progress of any pending referrals and to assign new referrals for processing. For those students appropriate for SAP, faculty and staff members are specifically requested to identify current behaviors they have observed on the SAP checklist. Students may be referred as a result of observable needs in the areas of academics, behavioral, attendance or mental health concerns.