

What is Positive Behavior Support?

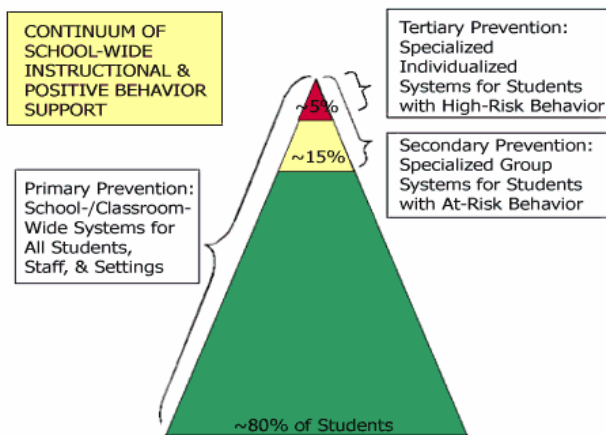
Positive behavior support is a proactive systems approach to put strategies in place for all children, while building in support for those at-risk and/or those who receive special education services for behavior problems.

What are the benefits of Positive Behavior Support?

Schools that consistently implement and use PBS have:

- Improved school climate
- Improved student achievement
- Reduction in suspension and referral rates

Three Tiered System of Support



Phase 1 → universal/primary prevention strategies are implemented school/classroom wide.

Phase 2 → after the primary/universal strategies are in place, some students may need more intensive efforts (specialized group systems).

Phase 3 → after primary/universal and secondary strategies have been utilized there may be a small percent of students who require specific, individualized behavioral interventions.



Components of a School Wide PBS System

1. Common purpose and approach to discipline
2. Clear set of positive expectations and behaviors
3. Procedures for teaching expected behavior
4. Continuum of procedures for encouraging expected behavior
5. Continuum of procedures for discouraging inappropriate behavior
6. Procedures for on-going monitoring and evaluation

School wide PBS focuses on establishing school environments that support long term success of effective practices

(3-5 years).

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