

# KANSAS SCHOOL WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORTS (SWPBS)

Creating a  
**POSITIVE and SAFE**  
SCHOOL environment  
for ALL  
STUDENTS

**PARENT COMMENTS:**

*"I feel welcome (at my child's school). Everyone is respectful, children as well as staff."*

*"I like it when my child is rewarded for doing the right thing."*

*"There is no problem with bullying. It (SWPBS) has made this school a safe, fun place for kids to come and learn."*

(Please see reverse side for additional information)



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## **What is School Wide Positive Behavior Supports (SWPBS)?**

School wide positive behavior supports (SWPBS) is a system for improving student behavior. Developed by a school, it is used:

- With all students
- Across all school environments (classroom, lunchroom, restroom, playground)
- To help schools create effective learning environments

## **How does SWPBS work?**

With SWPBS strategies, schools can create a positive behavior support system for all students by providing:

- A common approach to discipline
- Positive expectations and behaviors
- Procedures for teaching expected behaviors
- Procedures for encouraging expected behaviors
- Procedures for discouraging inappropriate behaviors

## **Why does SWPBS work?**

Research shows that positive, predictable school environments lead to:

- Safer feelings for students
- Better academic performance
- Higher test results
- Better behavior choices

Schools also show positive results such as:

- A gain in instructional time
- Fewer out-of-school suspensions
- Fewer discipline referrals
- Fewer referrals to special education

## **Parent Involvement is Important!**

Students learn best when parents are involved in developing positive behavior supports. Consistency between home and school is the key to better outcomes for all students.

## **How can parents be involved?**

- Learn about SWPBS
- Participation in SWPBS planning
- Use SWPBS strategies in home and community settings
- Help build parent participation in SWPBS
- Encourage community involvement
- Attend a SWPBS recognition program
- Create a SWPBS video or newsletter

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***For more information or workshops on parent involvement, contact KS STATE PIRC (see reverse side).***

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