

PBIS

Positive Behavior Intervention and Support Newsletter
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Focus

Our Shining Stars

In September we had four students from each classroom who were recognized for displaying positive behavior through being, safe, respectful, responsible, and a leader. Good job students!

Congratulations to our teacher of the month, Mrs. Sergeant for her continued commitment and effort toward the success of our students.

Tracking Behavior

SWIS stands for School-Wide Information System. Each day, referrals are entered into SWIS. The data provides us with five key pieces of information: average referrals per day per month, referrals by problem behavior, referrals by location, referrals by time and referrals by student. Here is a summary of the data for August:

- Although there has been a decrease in referrals in this area, physical contact/Physical aggression and fighting continue to be our leading problem behavior.
- Classroom referrals have decreased significantly. This is an indication that classroom management across the board is being exercised greatly and that students are respecting the classroom universal expectations. Great job students and teachers!

Tip of the Month

Students: Making friends is a lot easier than making enemies.

Parents and Teachers: Modeling the behavior you expect yields a great return

Parent Circle

Thank you for taking a few moments a day to talk with your student(s) about positive behavior. We continue to encourage you to take those precious moments with your child after school and talk about those challenging issues that arise, such as making and keeping friends and solving their problems with others in a positive way. Your support is needed to keep them on a positive path!

Bullying

It's time to talk to our children about bullying.

Bullying can be displayed in many ways, from making negative comments about someone to hitting and threatening. Bullying creates a very unhealthy environment making others feel unsafe thereby making it difficult to concentrate on learning. We all know that some children are shy and others are more forward but we must remember that part of respecting others is accepting people for who they are and recognizing the good qualities they have to offer.

Here at Medgar Evers Primary Academic Center bullying is taken very serious. We pride ourselves in creating a safe learning environment for every student. Parents, please take some time out with your student(s) to talk about this issue and the awful results that it can have on someone else. Find out what your student(s) know about bullying and what they think about it. Offer them some new ways on making friends and standing up for what they believe in when someone else tries to pressure them into doing wrong.