

**WHAT IS SAP AND PREVENTION?**

SAP stands for the Student Assistance Program. In Pennsylvania, every school district grades K-12 is required to have a plan for identifying and assisting students who experience "barriers to learning". The SAP team is made up of school and TCV staff trained to help parents and guardians access school and community services for their child.

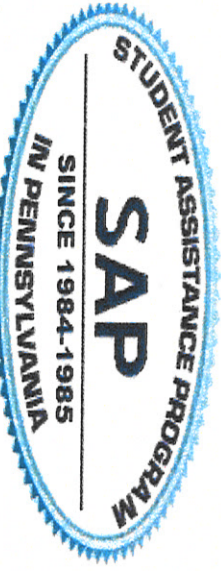
TCV SAP and Prevention department is responsible for providing SAP liaisons and teaching prevention lessons and groups in ten districts throughout Allegheny County. They include:

- Allegheny Intermediate Unit
- Clairton City School District
- East Allegheny School District
- Environmental Charter School
- Forbes Road CTC
- Gateway School District
- Penn Hills Charter School of Entrepreneurship
- Pittsburgh Public Schools
- Propel Schools
- South Allegheny School District
- Urban Pathways Charter School
- West Mifflin School District
- Woodland Hills School District

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## DO YOU SEE YOUR CHILD SHOWING ANY OF THESE BEHAVIORS?

- Withdrawing from family, friends and/or school
- Changing friends; no longer spends time with old friends
- Unexplained physical injuries
- Talking about hurting them self or someone else
- Depressed
- Defying authority, both at home and at school
- Acting aggressively
- Lying
- Needing money without an explanation
- Sudden drop in grades
- Experimenting with drugs and alcohol
- Skipping school

## ARE YOU CONCERNED ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S REACTION TO:

- Recent death of a loved one
- Divorce of parents
- Family relocation
- A relationship problem
- Bullying
- Other traumatic event

If your child is having trouble in or out of school, we can help you.

## HOW DO I GET MY CHILD INVOLVED?

Anyone can refer a student to the Student Assistance Program. Some students are referred by teachers or school staff members. A student's friend or family member can let the SAP team know that they are worried about someone. The student can even go directly to the SAP team to ask for help.

**Contact Jim Phillips at  
412-464-4781 ext. 2351**

**Email: [jphillips@tecv.net](mailto:jphillips@tecv.net)**

**Jim will get you in contact with the liaison at your child's school.**



## PRIVACY

The SAP team information is confidential and the team will respect you and your child's privacy.

## WHAT HAPPENS AFTER MY CHILD IS REFERRED?

After a child is referred, the school will gather information to determine how the student is performing in their classes. The SAP team will not proceed without written parental consent. Once the written consent is received, the team will work with you, the parent, to develop a plan of action to help your child be successful in school.

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