# STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS NOT ....

~ a counseling program

~ a treatment program

~ a discipline program

STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

~ a systematic process to identify and refer students who are having problems.

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#### CONTACTING YOUR SCHOOL'S SAP PROGRAM

If you feel that your child may need help, call your child's school and ask to speak with a Student Assistance Team member or the guidance counselor.

## PRIVACY

The Student Assistance Team and the school will respect you and your child's privacy at all times.

You can't just give up on someone because the situation's not ideal.

Great relationships aren't great because they have no problems.

They're great because both people care enough about the other person to find a way to make it work. ....... unknown ₩₩₩XGHQW₽VVIVWDQFH₩HDP#

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Greenwood's Student Assistance Team serves as a resource for our teachers, families, and administrators in addressing a variety of student learning and behavioral needs.



## WHAT IS THE STUDENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM? (SAP)

In Pennsylvania, every middle, high school, and some elementary schools have a Student Assistance Program.

A SAP Team made up of school and community agency staff is here to help you access school and community services.

If your child is having trouble in or out of school, we can help. You shouldn't feel embarrassed or uncomfortable about asking for support.

When extra help is needed, knowing how and where to find it can be overwhelming.

### IS YOUR CHILD EXHIBITING ANY OF THESE BEHAVIORS?

- Withdrawing from family, friends and/or school
- Changing friends; no longer spending time with old friends
- \* Unexplained physical injuries
- \* Talking about suicide
- \* Depressed
- \* Defying authority, at home & at school
- \* Self injury
- \* Lying
- \* Needing money without an explanation
- \* Sudden drop of grades
- \* Bullying
- Eating disorders
- Excessive absenteeism
- \* Drug or Alcohol use

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

- Recent death of a loved one
- \* Divorce of parents
- \* Family relocation
- A relationship problem

#### HOW DO STUDENTS BECOME INVOLVED IN THE S.A.P. PROCESS?

Students are referred to the Student Assistance Team by school staff, parents and friends.

## WHAT IS THE S.A.P. PROCESS?

Once a student is referred, the SAP team will request that you and your child sign a permission form for your child to become involved in the program. Once that is received, the SAP team will begin to work with your child and keep in touch with you. (If you feel you need more information before making a decision, please contact a member of the team).

When permission is received, the team will gather specific information about your child's performance in school from those that have contact with your child. Together, you and the SAP team will develop a plan of action to help your child achieve success in school.

