WV Positive Behavior Support Network

INTRODUCTION

The WV PBS Network is a collaborative, statewide effort to promote the philosophy and practice of Positive Behavior Support (PBS). The network is comprised of persons from a variety of backgrounds and interests including:

Parents

WV Department of Education Local Education Agencies Higher Education Center for Excellence in Disabilities Autism Training Center WVDHHR

MISSION

The WV PBS Network collaborates statewide to promote the philosophy, core values, and evidenced-based practices of PBS.

BACKGROUND

PBS is based upon a body of research derived from the field of behavior analysis. Originally developed to address issues related to individual's with disabilities who exhibited challenging behavior, the field of PBS has expanded to include application of the process to more diverse populations and settings. PBS has been used to assist in the development of plans for many populations such as individuals with mental illness, children in foster care, and students in general education. PBS is also being successfully implemented in communities, schools, and organizations.



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DEFINING CHARACTERISTICS OF PBS

- Data-driven decision making
- Person/system-focused
- Positive, proactive strategies
- Meaningful outcomes
- Team Process

GOALS

* To maintain fidelity to the PBS model

* To positively impact the long-term quality of life for those involved in PBS

* To provide training and information at all levels of PBS

* To broaden the use of PBS to other support systems that affect children, adults and families