

How can the school help my child?

Navigating Student Support Teams and the Process

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Goals and Objectives

- What is the School Support Team (SST)?
- Who is involved?
- What are the procedures?



Reasons to go to SST

- Not learning
- Attendance
- Not focused
- Home problems
- Emotional
- Social
- Mental Health
- Hunger

There are many reasons to go to SST. Many people can request SST services: parents, staff, outside agencies, etc.,

SST is here to help!



School Interventions

- Smaller reading groups
- Pull-outs (reading, math, etc.,)
- Tutoring
- Saturday School
- Before School
- Extra math/reading
- Extra time
- De-escalation techniques
- Check in-check out



Tier 1 - "The Beginning"

- Academic Interventions
- Social/Emotional/Behavioral Interventions
- Other Interventions
 - 1) What are the primary concerns?
 - 2) What are the student's strengths?
 - 3) What are 3 measurable student goals?

What happens when Tier 1 doesn't help?

- On to Tier 2:
 - Academics
 - Behavior/Organization
 - Social/Emotional
 - Attendance
 - Health
 - Speech/Language Concerns
 - AND Other

Same procedure as Tier 1, meet, set goals, etc.,

Who is at the SST table and why?

- Parent
- Classroom Teacher
- Special Education Teacher
- Psychologist
- Counselor
- Pupil Personnel Worker
- Social Worker
- Advocate
- Nurse

What should I expect at the SST table?

- Discuss the concern(s)
- Share data
- Explore resources and possibilities
- Follow-up, set goals, set dates



What if I want to cancel my service?

- If SST does not help, your child may be referred to the Individual Education Plan (IEP) process
- Parents have rights, you may deny services, you may appeal services
- The SST plan can be adapted to another school environment if you move
- The IEP will follow your child if you move
- Finding Advocates to help you understand the process, and/or appeals

Are there any outside resources?

- Counseling Groups:
 - Tri-County
- Individual therapists
 - Center For Children
- Mental Health resources
- Community resources
 - Local Care Team
 - Maryland Coalition for Families

Any Questions? Oops, times up!

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