

Wasatch Junior High

2023 - 2024 School Behavior Plan Summary

The purpose of this plan is to communicate our school's efforts to one, build and maintain a culture of positive student behavior; and two, to address the serious issues of bullying, suicide, and substance abuse prevention. This plan addresses state requirements found in: § 53G-9-602, § 53G-10-407, R277-400-8, R277-609-2, R277-622-3, and R277-609-4.

District Commitment: Every school in Granite School District will offer a learning environment where safety, responsibility, and respect prevail and where every student receives support toward achieving academic goals and personal aspirations.

Section 1: Schoolwide Tier I Positive Behavior Expectations



Wasatch Junior High uses Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS), which is a district and state supported behavior program. As part of our PBIS we proactively teach and reinforce these behavioral expectations to all students and staff and throughout all areas of the school.

Wasatch students are accountable, respectful and excellent in all areas of the school as they receive support from teachers, staff and community members.

How/when expectations are <i>taught</i>	How expectations are <i>reinforced</i>	How behaviors are <i>corrected</i>
We teach our behavior matrix to the staff before school starts. Staff continues to teach by modeling the school expectations. Students are shown We A.R.E. videos each month on Tuesdays. Each day students are shown a behavior specific to the school expectations. Announcements and re-teaching expectations help reinforce behavior.	On-line PBIS school-wide store point system. Shop each week at the school wide store where W-COIN points can be redeemed for treats, prizes, and school logo items. Quarterly drawings and announcing school winners over the PA system.	Verbal warning, PBIS think sheet, Think-time in another classroom. W-COIN/class reward system, teacher/parent contact, referral on Ed. Hadbook, meet with Administrator, lunch detention, ASD, suspension.

Pro-social activities or programs that provide a positive extracurricular involvement for students:

School banners, W-COIN, weekly videos, SBO's present videos and activities to the student body centered around our expectations and school theme; KINDNESS MATTERS, assemblies on anti-bullying, and counselors presenting lessons in classrooms and monthly videos.



Section 2: Bullying Prevention



Our school is committed to protecting students from all forms of bullying including cyber-bullying, hazing, and retaliation. Our students have the right to a safe, caring, and respectful learning environment in which all students can realize their maximum potential and fully engage in the learning process. Our goal is to raise awareness of bullying as an unacceptable form of behavior (*prevention*) and to have measures in place to deal with bullying behavior when it occurs (*intervention*).

Bullying Defined	Resources
Bullying includes these three components and can include <i>bullying</i> , <i>cyber-bullying</i> , <i>hazing</i> , and <i>retaliation</i> : 1. Unwanted or aggressive behavior involving a real or perceived power imbalance 2. Intent to hurt, intimidate, humiliate, or cause harm - AND- 3. The behavior is repeated or has significant potential to be repeated -OR- a single egregious event	District Bully Prevention Information & Resources What happens when bullying is reported? Stop Bullying Now Granite District Bullying and Hazing Policy SafeUT

Teaching, reinforcing, and correcting our positive behavior expectations described in Section 1 are key components of our bully prevention plan. In addition to the schoolwide expectations, we have specific bully prevention practices that address bullying incidents and give support for students who have been targeted. Following is a summary of those practices:

How bullying prevention is taught	Steps taken when bullying is reported	School supports for targeted students
Social/emotional curriculum and videos, buddybox, Educator Handbook, Safe Ut. Banners, Assemblies, Staff training, SST, MTSS	Administrator, counselor, teacher notified, incident investigated, meets with students, parents. Report to Granite Police if needed, MTSS, SST, Next steps decided.	Banners, Break cards, think time, PBIS plan, Social worker/Psychologist referral, behavior consequences, MTSS and SST

All reported incidents of bullying are taken seriously and are investigated by or in collaboration with a school administrator following the steps listed above. Incidents are documented on Educator's Handbook (our school's behavior tracking system) and/or on Discovery (our district's student information system).

When a teacher or other school personnel becomes aware of a bullying incident this information is promptly given to school administration. Additionally, we encourage anybody who is targeted by bullying, witnesses bullying, or is aware of bullying occurring to report it to a school administrator, a school counselor/teacher, other trusted adult, or by using the SafeUT app.



Section 3: Suicide Prevention



Understanding the issues concerning suicide and mental health is an important way to take part in suicide prevention, help others in crisis, and change the conversation around suicide. In our school, age appropriate curriculum is used to teach students how to identify risk factors and warning signs of suicide, and how to help if they or someone they know may be thinking of self-harm. Reports of suicidal ideation are reported to administration to provide supports and communication to student and family. The Student Support referral and documentation process is followed.

How and when our school teaches suicide awareness

How our school responds to reports of suicidal ideation

School-wide lessons taught in classes, Resiliency lessons are taught school-wide, Assemblies, emotional/social videos, Sharp Survey, Safe UT app.

Pink sheet, counselors, social worker, meet with student, MTSS, SST, parent contact, Contact outside agencies, enter incident into Educator Handbook/Discovery. Resolution/action steps followed

Section 4: Substance Abuse Prevention



The Granite School District and Wasatch Junior High are committed to the prevention of drug, alcohol, tobacco, and E-cigarettes/vaping use by our students and are aware of the connection and affect these have on physical and mental health and on learning. A key component is INCREASING protective factors and REDUCING risk factors in a student's life. As with other behavior expectations, our school teaches, reinforces, and corrects substance abuse prevention and follows the district substance abuse policy.

Substance abuse prevention learning	Consequences of violation	Substance	abuse prevention resources
training, mindfulness, Wasatch Y-tube channel, School web-page, Facebook 2nd Offense Alternative placeme 3rd Offense Prolonged alternative placement Placement Selling/Distributing:	1 st Offense Suspension, Quit course 2 nd Offense Alternative placement 3 rd Offense Prolonged alternative	For Parents:	Marijuana Talk Kit Parents Empowered Partnership for Drug-Free Kids NIDA for Teens
	Selling/Distributing: Alternative placement for 90 school	Students: For Educators:	Above the Influence Just Think Twice Foundation for a Drug-Free World Prevention Dimensions Curriculum NIDA Educator Resources



Section 5: SST and Tier II & III Interventions



An important part of our School Behavior Plan is the role of the Student Support Team (*SST*). The SST meets weekly and reviews applicable schoolwide student behavior and/or academic data in Educators Handbook, Gradebook, and Discovery as well as district provided reports such as the SHARP Survey to review the effectiveness of the School Behavior Plan and suggest modifications when needed. Administration regularly shares important behavior and misconduct data with teachers and staff.

The SST also works to identify students and/or groups of students who need additional levels of behavior supports and interventions. Below is a list of our Tier II (*Focussed Supports*) and our Tier III (*Intensive Supports*) interventions.

Tier II Interventions	Tier III Interventions
	SST form, suspension, Ed. Handbook, teacher/counselor/social worker/psychologist referral, behavior contract, PBIS rewards and behavior interventions, IEP's, 504's, BHA

Section 6: Communicating Plan

This plan is updated annually and made available on our website at the beginning of each school year and is also disseminated to patrons and school staff.

Patrons: Social media, weekly principal's message, community council mtgs, PTA, back to school night, SEP's, Wasatch Youtube channel

Staff: Monthly trainings and updates, social media, principal's message, community council notes, PTA, SEP's, PBIS training,

leadership/team meetings

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