

PBIS NEWS

EDITION 1

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What is Positive Behavior Interventions and Support? (PBIS)

We are excited to continue implementing a process for creating safer and more effective schools that supports positive behavior from kindergarten through 8th grade. School-wide Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports (PBIS) is a proactive, team-based framework for creating and sustaining safe and effective schools. Emphasis is placed on prevention of problem behavior, development of pro-social skills, and the use of data-based problem solving for addressing existing behavior concerns. PBIS methods are research-based and include proactive strategies for defining and teaching expectations, supporting appropriate student behaviors, and responding to inappropriate behavior to create a positive school environment. In addition to school wide expectations, teachers implement PBIS practices in the classroom including preventative and responsive approaches designed to decrease disruptions, increase instructional time, and improve student social behavior and academic outcome.

What is PBIS at MCA?

MCA has unified expectations for every area of the school. You see these expectations posted throughout the school including the classrooms, hallways, restrooms, cafe, playground, and buses. At MCA, we are Mustang Leaders and follow the LEAD Expectations:

- L-** Lead by Example
- E-** Encourage Respect
- A-** Act Responsibility
- D-** Demonstrate Safety

Common Language:

Staff will say, "Mighty, Mighty"

Students will respond, "Mustangs LEAD!"



We believe that it is important for students to make responsible choices; choices which are the result of teacher input and guidance; and choices which are based on the knowledge of the consequences. We also believe that students demonstrate marked improvement when they are recognized using positive reinforcement for behavior and classroom successes.

Another important component of PBIS is celebrating successes! We make a concerted effort to acknowledge students as they make good choices and showing Mustang LEAD behaviors.

What is PBIS Rewards?

PBIS Rewards is a digital platform MCA uses to reward our students for following LEAD expectations. Our students can earn rewards throughout the day by meeting our behavior expectations. These rewards are in the form of electronic points. Your child may redeem their points earned throughout the year in the school store, raffles, and events!

As a parent, you can download the [Family App](#) where you can view your child's points earned. You or your child can download the [Student App](#) where your child can redeem their points throughout the school year. A letter will come home with a QR Code that is specifically created for your child's PBIS Rewards account. They may also use their Clever ID and password to get started on the Student App.

Students have already begun earning points. This year's store will launch on September 23rd.

PBIS STORE THIS YEAR:

This year, the store will only be open for purchases once a week, the last week of the month.

Have questions regarding logging in? Please contact your child's homeroom teacher.

PBIS at MCA

Last school year, we held many PBIS events using our PBIS Rewards Program including:

- Pancakes with Principals
- Ice Cream Social
- Spring & Summer Lunches Outside
- Snack Cart
- Popcorn Cart
- PBIS Store
- Venardos Circus
- Jaxson DeVille Meet & Greet

We are looking forward to a great year with many NEW PBIS Events!

