

Who belongs to the SAP core team?

The core team of SAP consists of the administrators, guidance counselors, school nurses, teachers, and consultants from community agencies.

Mr. Scott Lynch, Principal

Mr. Jon Frye, Assistant Principal

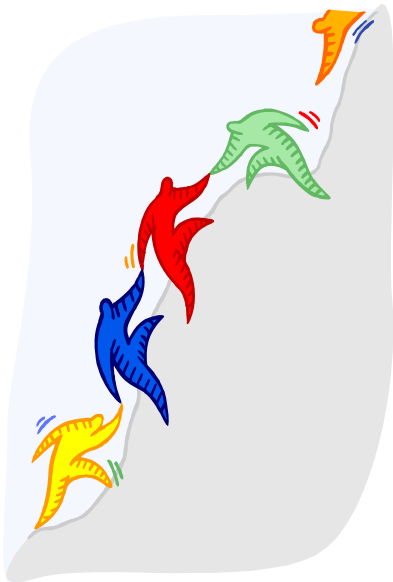
Mrs. Linda Litwiler, School Nurse

Mr. Andrew Herbstritt, Teacher

Mrs. Babara Pepe, Teacher

Mrs. Sue Herberg, Guidance Counselor

Ms. Amber Kralj, Guidance Counselor



For additional information on the services provided by SAP

www.sap.state.pa.us

Contacting the MAMS SAP:

814-333-1188

Emergency: **911**

Meadville City Police: **814-724-6100**

PA State Police: **814-332-6911**

Family and Abuse Concerns

Children and Youth Services:

814-724-8380

Child Abuse Hotline: **1-888-881-0189**

Women's Services Hotline: **814-333-9766**

Suicide/Mental Health Concerns

Crisis Line: **814-724-2732**

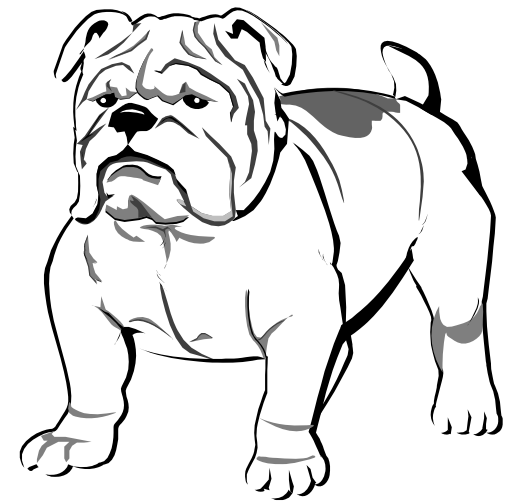
Substance Abuse Crawford

County Drug and Alcohol Center:

814-724-4100

Alcoholics Anonymous: **814-337-4019**

Student Assistance Program: A Parent's Guide



Meadville Area Middle School

What is the Student Assistance Program?

Students who are having difficulties at school or at home can be identified and referred for help. SAP is not a treatment program but an intervention program.

Goals of SAP:

- Identify students who are troubled by social, emotional, or chemical use problems which impact their academic performance.
- Work with parents and the student to provide accommodations and interventions to increase student achievement.



How is a Student Referred to SAP?

Students may be referred by a teacher, administration, guidance counselors, a peer, parents, or self-referrals.



What Happens After My Child Is Referred?

Participation in the program is not required and is strictly voluntary. After parental consent is obtained information is gathered from principals, counselors, teachers, the school nurse, and other relevant people. Information gathered includes: student behavior, academic performance, health, and attendance. The SAP team then reviews all information and makes appropriate contacts with you and other outside agencies and services. Confidentiality is maintained throughout the entire process.

Early Warning Signs of Students Who Need Help:

- Decline in academic performance
- Not wanting to go to school
- Change in friends
- Noticeable change in appearance
- Personality changes
- Lying
- Acting aggressively
- Depressed
- Change in sleep patterns
- Need money without any explanation
- Talking about suicide
- Unexplained physical injuries
- Withdrawing from family, friends, or school
- Experimenting with drugs or alcohol
- Lack of responsibility for actions at home and school

Is Your Child Having Trouble Adjusting To:

- Recent Death
- Divorce or Separation
- Other Traumatic Event