What is SW-PBS?

SW-PBS is School Wide-Positive Behavior Support-a process for creating safer and more effective schools by structuring the learning environment to support the academic and social success of **all** students. The process supports the adoption and long-term implementation of efficient and effective discipline throughout the school environment. SW-PBS methods are researched based, proven to significantly reduce the occurrence of problem behaviors in schools.

Schools in Missouri have been implementing SW-PBS for more than 10 years, starting with a partnership that began in 1999 between the University Of Missouri Center for SW-PBS and the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. Currently there are almost 600 schools in 176 districts across the state that are actively participating in Missouri SW-PBS.

Here are the 7 Components that SW-PBS consistently implement:

- 1. Administrative support, participation and leadership
- 2. Common purpose and approach to discipline
- 3. Clear set of positive expectations and behaviors
- 4. Procedures for teaching expected behavior
- 5. Continuum of procedures for encouraging expected behavior
- 6. Continuum of procedures for discouraging inappropriate behavior
- 7. Procedures for ongoing monitoring

A dependable system of rules and procedures provides structure for students and helps them to be engaged with instructional task.

This is our 2nd year of implementing the SW-PBS in Clark Middle School and here are a few of the positive components we have implemented:

- 1. Student of the Month
- 2. Spirit Bucks for demonstrating proper behavior
- 3. Weekly Falcon Time Lesson(s)
- 4. SW-PBS student team
- 5. Incentive school field trip

If you have any questions or concerns for our SW-PBS team, you can contact Cassidy Spaeder at 248-3800.