

## Mission Statement

The mission of the Student Focus Team is to provide assistance and intervention for students at risk of failing to reach their potential in the areas of attendance, academics, behavior, and school health.

## Goals

- Assist young people dealing with at-risk behaviors
- Provide essential information about local and state services

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# What is the Student Focus Team?

The Student Focus Team (SFT) is a team consisting of teachers, administrators, school counselors and other personnel.

The purpose of this team is to address four areas of concern: attendance, academics, behavior and school health.



The SFT can legally address issues in the following areas:

*Behavior*  
*Academics*  
*Health*  
*Attendance*

## The SFT is designed to be:

- \* Student centered – focused on the student and the reason for referral
- \* An open referral system— allows anyone to refer such as teachers, parents, students and members of the community
- \* More than academically focused— looks at the whole child in the areas of academics, attendance, behavior, and health
- \* Proactive not reactive – addresses the situation before it becomes a serious problem or crisis
- \* Focused on providing assistance or intervention as the situation warrants

## Examples of Concerns

- Failing classes
- High absenteeism or tardiness
- Signs of Depression
- Anger/violence
- Discipline problems
- Physical illness

## How to refer?

Any student, parent, teacher, or community member may refer a student to the Student Focus Team. All referrals should be placed in a sealed envelope and put in Sami Peil’s mailbox.

## What Happens After a Referral is Made to the SFT?

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Further information is gathered and an SFT meeting is held to determine an appropriate plan of action.

## Examples of Possible Recommendations

- Student conference
- Parent conference
- Develop an “SFT Action Plan”
- Referral to school counselor
- Referral for testing
- Provide information on community resources