

Beatrice Senior High

The high school team identified increasing parental involvement (Creating a Positive Climate) and establishing a building-wide behavior/discipline program (Effective Responses) as top areas to address. The team desires to involve parents more in the daily workings of school life and is in the process of exploring two possible avenues to achieve this. These avenues are Parent Council Coordination through which parents may monitor students during faculty meetings, before/after school, in the gym at lunch time, and during the day in the student lounge; the second is Parent Software Training which would utilize a parent web-based communication module. The high school team also wishes to evaluate and possibly revamp the high school's current discipline system. The team is looking into a plan developed by Dr. Dixon of Junction City, Kansas. The plan involves significant changes to the current discipline system including implementation of an after-school school in lieu of out-of-school suspension, and changes to the building's in-school suspension program. The Discipline Committee and the SRS team will combine to facilitate the implementation of this plan. Additional changes the team has been involved with include a revision of the office referral discipline procedures, which attempts to more appropriately match the consequence with the student's offense, and the use of a timeout strategy for students which allows them to problem solve on their own and resolve the conflict without an office referral.