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Independent School District 199 Selected to Participate in Minnesota School-Wide Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports Training

Independent School District 199 has been selected to participate in the Cohort 7, Minnesota School-wide Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (SW-PBIS) Training.

The district will receive training regarding the understanding and implementation of PBIS beginning in the summer of 2011 and lasting through the Spring of 2013.

PBIS identifies clear behavior outcomes for staff and students and uses evidence-based practices to achieve those outcomes, and understand data/information use to support sustainable, safe and positive learning environments.

District leadership was required to provide evidence of administrative support and participation, as well as demonstrate staff buy-in (securing 80-percent commitment) in order to qualify for inclusion in the cohort.

It was also necessary for applicants to identify improving school-wide behavioral outcomes as one of the district's main objectives. The most prevalent issue to arise out of the district's elementary study has been the community's desire for the district to develop common expectations for student behavior and have a common response for inappropriate behavior across schools. Implementing PBIS district-wide will move the district closer towards achieving that goal.

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SW-PBIS training will occur three times per year, for a total of six sessions. The first year consists of six days of trainings, with the first session occurring in August. Year two includes three days of training.

More information can be found at mnpbis.org.

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