

**Save and Drug Free Schools
Kansas City, Kansas Public Schools
Performance Measures for 2007-2008**

Performance Measure	Baseline Data (include the date of the most recent data source)	Annual Performance
On posttests students will report a significantly greater belief in the harmfulness of regular use of marijuana, or will maintain that belief at program entry through program participation.	2006-2007 – Difference from pre- to posttest was from 2.8 to 3.3 on a 4-point scale (increase of 0.5) 2007-2008 – from a 2.8 to 3.5 on a 4-point scale (increase of 0.7)	0708 target – mean increase of 0.5 or more on scale 0708 actual – mean increase of 0.7 0809 – same 0910 – same
Schools will report a reduction in out-of-school suspensions for those students with active SIT plans, specifically related to the identified behavior on the plan.	2007-2008 mid-year report – 93 behavior (SIT) plans and 38 out-of-school suspensions for the plan-targeted behavior resulted in a 40.9% suspension rate. 2007-2008 end-of-year report - 98 behavior (SIT) plans and 41 out-of-school suspensions for the plan-targeted behavior resulted in a 32.7% suspension rate. Therefore, an 8.2% reduction in the suspension rate between the baseline mid-year result and the end-of year result.	0708 target – 3.0% decline 0708 actual – 8.2% decline 0809 – same 0910 – same
Family advocates will report an improvement in SIT-program students' use of appropriate conduct.	2006-2007 end-of-year results – 53.1% of students (needing to show improvement using appropriate conduct) were identified as showing improvement. 2007-2008 end-of-year results – 57.1% were identified as showing improvement. Therefore, a 4.0% increase in appropriate conduct.	0708 target – 3.0% increase 0708 actual – 4.0% increase 0809 – same 0910 – same

On posttests students will report a significantly greater belief in the harmfulness of regular use of marijuana, or will maintain that belief at program entry through program participation. The target performance for students reporting a significantly greater belief in the harmfulness of regular use of marijuana, or reporting that they maintained that belief at program entry through program participation, was a mean increase 0.5 percent between pretest and posttest. There were four Likert-type response choices, ranging from one (No Risk) to four (Great Risk). The pretest mean was 2.8, and the posttest mean was 3.5. The difference between the pretest and posttest means was an increase of 0.7. The performance target was met.

Schools will report a reduction in out-of-school suspensions for those students with active SIT plans, specifically related to the identified behavior on the plan. The target performance for the reporting of out-of-school suspensions for those students with active SIT plans, specifically related to the identified behavior on the plan, was a three percent reduction between the mid-year and end-of-year results. The out-of-school suspensions rate for the first half of the year was 40.9 percent, and for the second half of the year it was 32.7 percent. The difference between the mid- and end-of-year percentages was a decrease of 8.2 percent. The performance target was met.

Family advocates will report an improvement in SIT-program students' use of appropriate conduct. The target performance for family advocates reporting an improvement in SIT-program students' use of appropriate conduct was a three percent increase from 2006-2007. The percent of students showing improvement reported for 2006-2007 was 53.1 percent, and for 2007-2008 it was 57.1 percent.¹ Therefore, there was an increase of four percent between 2006-2007 and 2007-2008. The performance target was met.

¹ The 2006-2007 administration of the questionnaire for family advocates was a pilot study. The questionnaire was refined upon review of the pilot study results. Those revisions warrant caution when comparing 2006-2007 results with results from later administrations.

Program Highlights:

In March, a Town Hall Meeting was held at Schlagle High School on underage drinking. This event was coordinated with the Regional Prevention Center, PTA District Attorney's office and the Student Council from Schlagle. The topic of information/discussion covered was the new Paul's Social Law and Alco pops. The 2007 Sobriety Rocks scholarship winner, sponsored by the Kansas Department of Transportation, performed his rap song. Irv Mitchell is a graduate from the Kansas City Kansas Public Schools.

The PACT program is an alternative to suspension for students that have been caught with ATOD use on campus. There were 72 referrals with 63 completions. Nine terminations were due to non-attendance to the program. Prime for Life is the curriculum that is presented to a parent/student audience for 5 evening sessions. Prime for Life is a prevention program by Prevention Research Institute that focuses on risk reduction.