WINNER SCHOOL DISTRICT 59-2 OFFICIAL SCHOOL BOARD POLICY

TEACHER ASSISTANCE TEAMS

The Winner Board of Education has directed its Superintendent to appoint a Teacher Assistance Teams (TAT) that complies with ARSD 24:03:05:12. The TAT shall develop strategies to assist staff in meeting the needs of pupils who have developed and exhibit academic and behavioral difficulties. The School Board also recognizes that the TAT shall not supplant the SPED services (referral processes, etc.) already in place within the school system.

The Winner Board of Education further directs that when a teacher has a problem requiring the assets of the TAT, he/she shall report to the building principal - who will then appoint a team comprised of those professionals considered necessary for that particular situation. At a minimum, the TAT shall consist of the building principal or designee (usually the counselor); the classroom teacher requesting assistance; and, other teachers and resource personnel as needed.

Finally, the Winner Board of Education recognizes that TAT as a teacher support program. The Board further recognizes that without administrative support (i.e. most especially the building principal) the TAT will become inoperative. Therefore, it is the policy of the Winner Board of Education that TAT's are an effective method of working with academic/behavioral difficulties, and thereby directs that the TAT program become an integral part of the educational process within the Winner School District.

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