

HOW CAN PARENTS HELP WITH POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORT?

Parents and guardians play an important role in the development of a child's behavior. The following are some suggestions you can use to help your child understand Positive Behavior Support:

- ⇒ Model the behaviors being encouraged at school
- ⇒ Use PBS language at home by discussing school-wide behavior expectations
- ⇒ Ask your child about earning *Cat Scratch* at school
- ⇒ Praise your child for making the right choices
- ⇒ Keep communication between you and your child's teachers active throughout the year
- ⇒ Volunteer to help the BTWHS PBS Team secure community donations for student and faculty incentives

PBS IS:

- ◆ Proactive—Preventing inappropriate behaviors by putting procedures in place, and if needed, changing the environment
- ◆ Educative—Teaching students what we expect of them while on our campus (Expectations). Teaching our students the expectations for specific settings (halls, cafeteria, Atrium, etc.)
- ◆ Reinforcement-based—Giving students rewards when they meet school-wide expectations and when they follow classroom expectations
- ◆ Negative consequences—Are still given for inappropriate behavior. We want the consequences to change the student behavior, so the student does not display the same behavior again



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B.T.W.H.S. SCHOOL-WIDE BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS

Every Wildcat matters, so...

B.E SAFE

T.AKE RESPONSIBILITY

W.ILDCAT PRIDE

H.AVE ACADEMIC SUCCESS

S.HOW RESPECT

Your child's school is a:

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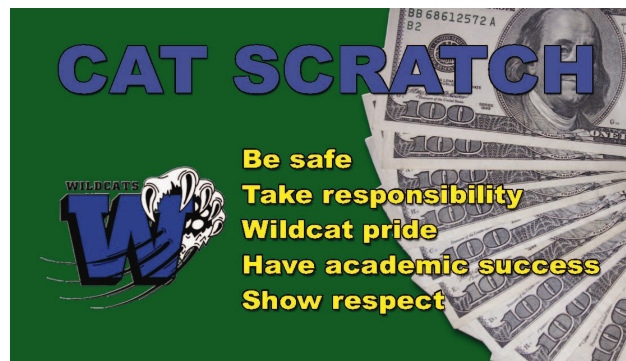
FL PBS: <http://flpbs.fmhi.usf.edu/>

WHAT IS SCHOOL-WIDE POSITIVE BEHAVIOR SUPPORT?

Positive Behavior Support (PBS) is a new way to think about behavior. PBS is based on understanding why problem behaviors occur. PBS provides a positive and effective alternative to the traditional methods of discipline. PBS methods are research-based and proven to significantly reduce the occurrence of problem behaviors in the school, resulting in a more positive school climate and increased academic performance.

STUDENT REWARD INCENTIVES

Students will receive "Cat Scratch" cards for following the Wildcat expectations. Students will have opportunities in class and throughout the school year to "spend" earned *Cat Scratch* cards at the Cat Shack, in classrooms, and at other PBS events.



WHAT DOES PBS LOOK LIKE AT BTWHS?

- ◆ School-wide expectations are displayed in classrooms and throughout the school
- ◆ Students and staff are taught the expectations and what they look like in different school environments
- ◆ Students, teachers, and staff are able to state the school-wide expectations
- ◆ Staff members model the school-wide expectations for the students
- ◆ Students are rewarded for following the school-wide expectations
- ◆ Implemented by all BTWHS staff

UPCOMING PBS EVENTS:

- ◆ Spirit Rally by class: First Week of School
- ◆ 1st Nine Weeks Referral Contest by class; winning class participates in *Cat Scratch Fever* event!
- ◆ No referrals = entry into Pep Rallies
- ◆ 2nd Nine Weeks Referral Contest by class; winning class participates in *Cat Scratch Fever* event!
- ◆ 3rd Nine Weeks Referral Contest by class; winning class participates in *Cat Scratch Fever* event!
- ◆ 4th Nine Weeks: End of year *Cat Scratch Fever!*