



27 Years of SAP Talking Points

SAP is celebrating 27 years of implementation! For 21 of those 27 years, data has been collected on SAP referrals including electronic data collection in the most recent 14 years. The following information is based on those years that data was collected. (PDE 4092 From 1990 to 2010)

More than **1,279,992** referrals have been made since 1988.

1. The two most prevalent referral sources are :
 - Teacher referrals - approximately **461,335**
 - School Counselor referrals – approximately **248,748**
2. The Student Assistance Program works in partnership with parents/family and encourages parents to make referrals to the team.

126,662 parent referrals have been recorded.

3. The SAP program encourages students to refer themselves for assistance.

94,688 self referrals have been recorded to SAP Teams.

4. The three most common referral reasons are:
 - Behavior concerns – **606,086**
 - Policy violations – **264,875**
 - Attendance problems – **174,210**
5. There were **65,803** referrals to SAP for suicidal ideation/gesture.

6. The most in-school services provided through involvements with SAP are:
 - One-to-one follow-up with a counselor ,school psychologists, etc– **372,169**
 - One-to-one follow-up with a Team member or other school personnel- **312,719**
 - Educational groups – **292,515**
 - Mental Health related groups – **75,448**
 - D&A related groups – **69,925**
 - Other groups – **160,955**

7. Where the needs of the student go beyond the scope of the school the SAP Team will refer students for an assessment at a community resource. The most common recommendations from the SAP Team were:
 - Assessment by licensed Mental Health Provider – **253,278**
 - Assessment by licensed Drug and Alcohol Provider – **141,493**

8. The following data were collected beginning with the 1997-98 school year and therefore do not reflect all the students referred since the inception of SAP:
 - Approximately **411,821** students were promoted or graduated that were involved in the SAP process.
 - Approximately **340,544** students who indicated attendance as an area of concern have improved attendance as a result of the SAP program.
 - Approximately **241,789** students who indicated violation of policies as an area of concern have not repeated a violation since being a part of the SAP program.

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