

West Hartford Public School District

**Agenda Item:** Positive Behavioral Intervention and Support  
**Meeting Date:** February 29, 2012  
**From:** Eileen Howley, Assistant Superintendent for Instruction and Curriculum  
**Through:** Karen L. List, Superintendent of Schools

**Background:**

Positive Behavioral Intervention and Support (PBIS) is a systemic approach to support students' social, emotional and behavioral development, and to promote a positive, pro-social and safe school-wide learning environment. PBIS provides a framework of research and evidenced-based interventions/strategies to improve the social/behavioral and academic expectations and performance for all students.

PBIS is an integral part of the District's Scientific Research-Based Intervention (SRBI) model and it uses the same core principles and practices to create a comprehensive and coordinated continuum of tiered interventions and resources.

The District has established a district-wide PBIS committee and has implemented PBIS at Wolcott, Braeburn and Bristow Middle School. CREC is providing the training and consultation over the next three years. A new cohort of schools begins the training series in the fall of each year. The proposed roll-out plan is to add Whiting Lane, Webster Hill, Aiken, King Philip and Conard over the next two years.

Dr. Karafelis, principal of Wolcott Elementary School, and Dr. Andrew Morrow, principal of Bristow Middle School, will provide an overview of the implementation of PBIS within their respective schools. Dr. Eileen Howley and Glenn McGrath, Director of Pupil Services, are available to answer any questions.

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