How can you use PBIS at home?

PBIS can easily be adapted for use at home. Young children thrive in a setting where an adult is in charge and expectations are clear and consistent.

To use PBIS in your home:

- Decide on 2 or 3 overall expectations. Use the expectations we have at school or choose your own (such as Take Care of Your Toys or Take Care of Your Room).
- Teach them. Model them. Practice them. Review them often.
- Use simple, straight forward language to acknowledge appropriate and inappropriate behav-

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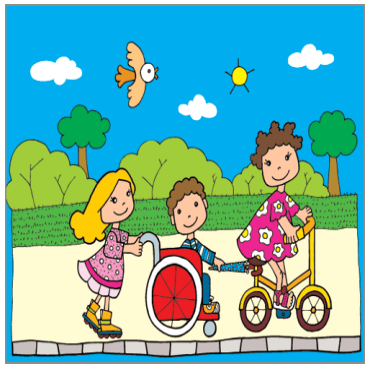

Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports

What is Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports? (PBIS)

Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports is an approach to discipline that:

- defines appropriate behavior that is expected.
- teaches expected behaviors.
- reinforces appropriate behavior when it occurs.

The goal of PBIS is to provide and maintain a safe learning environment for our students and teach them social expectations they will need in the future.

Program Wide Expectations

Take Care of Yourself

Take Care of Each Other

Take Care of Your School

Take Care of Your World

The Mehlville Early Childhood staff has embraced the philosophy of PBIS throughout the program. All staff members are teaching the same four behavior expectations:

Take care of yourself
Take care of each other
Take care of your school
Take care of your world

We don't assume that children know how to behave in a 'school way' when they begin preschool. We teach these skills to everyone!

Social skills are just like pre-academic skills; they must be taught. Everyone teaches the children what appropriate behavior looks like throughout the day. For example, "We take care of ourselves in the hallway when we use walking feet".

Adults model the behavior for the children, give the children many opportunities to practice the behavior, and point out when the children are taking care of themselves, each other, their school, and the world.

When behavior is not acceptable, the adult points that out. For example, if a child forgets to clean up after snack, the adult says: "We take care of our world by throwing trash in the trash can. Let's clean up together".