

# Strengthening Systems for a Thriving High School Culture



# Session Outcomes

Attendees will learn about ideas for positive reinforcement at the high school level.

Attendees will learn ways to use student data and responsive strategies to improve school culture.



# Home of the Tigers

Excelsior Springs High School  
Grades 9 - 12

Approximately 750 students  
District: 43% Free/Reduced Lunch




# **2023-2024 Recap**


- **Formed PBIS team**
- **Developed matrix**
- **Developed mission/vision statement**
- **Streamlined discipline data**

**Hallway Movement****Commons  
Lunch****Classroom****Device Usage  
(Online)****Locker Room  
Restrooms****P****Preparedness***Make efficient use of  
passing time**Arrive to lunch and  
return to class at the  
appropriate time**Bring all supplies to  
class, including a  
charged school device**Come to class with a  
charged school device**Take care of business  
and move on***R****Responsibility***Allow traffic to move by  
staying on the right side  
without unnecessary  
stops**Leave your lunch table  
better than you found it**Take control of your  
learning by using  
your LMS and  
other resources**Use personal devices at  
teacher discretion**Use for its intended  
purposes***I****Integrity***Exhibit good manners  
and keep hallways clean**Be kind and accepting  
to your fellow Tigers**Contribute to a  
positive learning  
environment for  
peers and teachers**Have a positive social  
media presence**Maintain clean walls,  
stalls, floors, and  
doors***D****Determination***Focus on what you can  
control**Use positive language  
and manners**Ask questions and  
communicate with  
your teacher**Be encouraging to  
prevent online bullying**Give privacy to peers***E****Engagement***Be aware of your  
surroundings**Be aware of your  
volume level and  
others' space**Use class time for  
instructional purposes**Stay off screens during  
class discussions and  
instructions**Report any misconduct  
to teacher/office staff***BE PART OF THE SOLUTION • SET A POSITIVE EXAMPLE • ADVOCATE FOR YOURSELF • MAKE THE RIGHT CHOICE**

# Signage



## HALLWAY




<b>P</b>	<b>Preparedness</b>	Make efficient use of passing time
<b>R</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	Allow traffic to move by staying on the right side without unnecessary stops
<b>I</b>	<b>Integrity</b>	Exhibit good manners and keep hallways clean
<b>D</b>	<b>Determination</b>	Focus on what you can control
<b>E</b>	<b>Engagement</b>	Be aware of your surroundings



## COMMONS



<b>P</b>	<b>Preparedness</b>	Arrive to lunch and return to class at the appropriate times
<b>R</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	Leave your lunch table better than you found it
<b>I</b>	<b>Integrity</b>	Be kind and accepting to your fellow Tigers
<b>D</b>	<b>Determination</b>	Focus on what you can control
<b>E</b>	<b>Engagement</b>	Be aware of your volume level and others' space

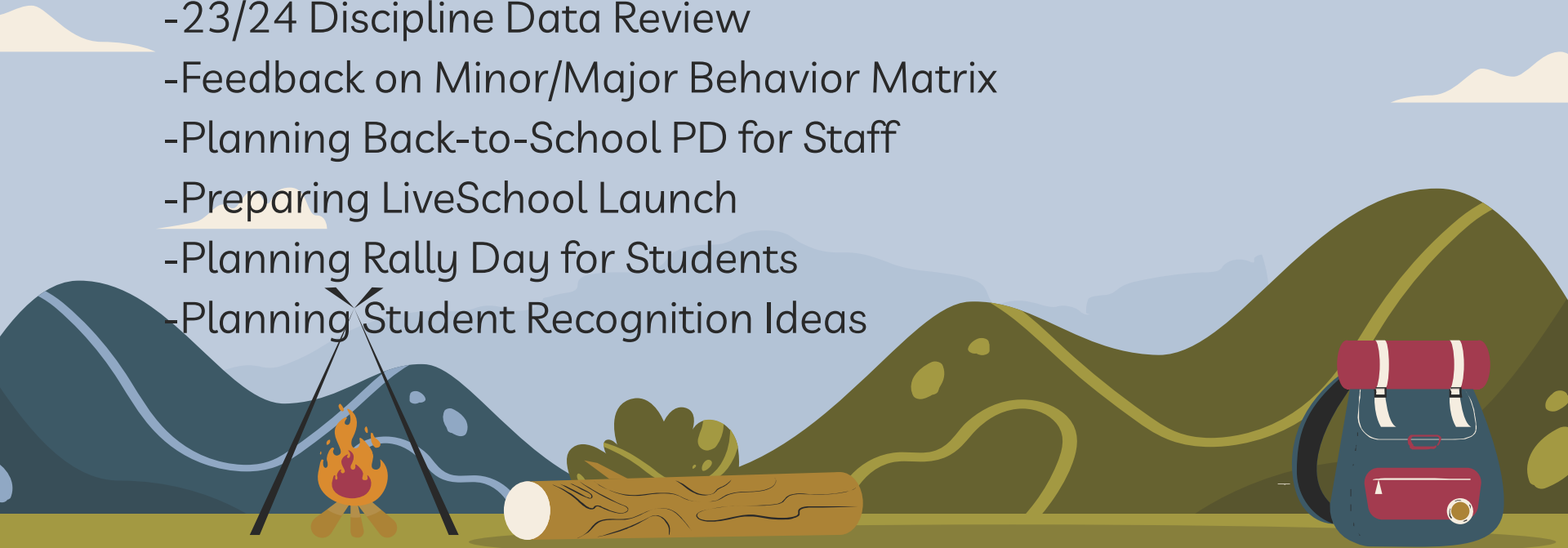


## RESTROOM

<b>P</b>	<b>Preparedness</b>	Take care of business and move on
<b>R</b>	<b>Responsibility</b>	Use it for its intended purposes
<b>I</b>	<b>Integrity</b>	Maintain clean walls, stalls, floors, and doors
<b>D</b>	<b>Determination</b>	Give privacy to peers
<b>E</b>	<b>Engagement</b>	Report any misconduct to a teacher or office staff member

# Summer PBIS Team Calibration

- Planning for Priority Goal: 24-25 Goal: Increase % of teachers who believe a documented system for responding to behaviors is in place from 19% to 75%, as measured by the PBIS SAS 4.
- 23/24 Discipline Data Review
- Feedback on Minor/Major Behavior Matrix
- Planning Back-to-School PD for Staff
- Preparing LiveSchool Launch
- Planning Rally Day for Students
- Planning Student Recognition Ideas



# **Last year's goal:**

## **Priority Goal:**

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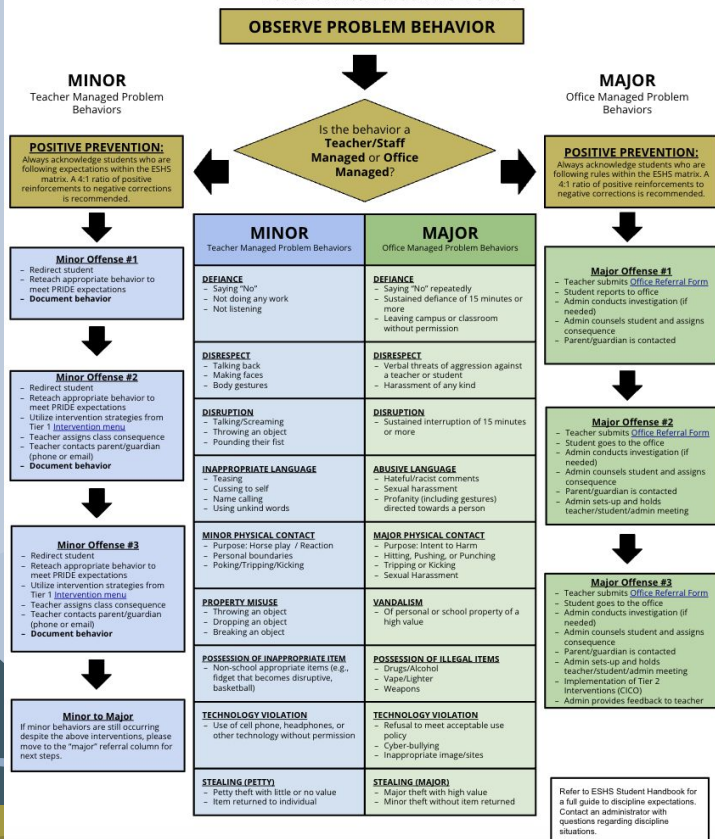
## **Action Steps:**

- School handbook updates
- Professional development for teachers
- Classroom lessons and videos on matrix
- Flow chart created and posted
- PRIDE awards



# Clarifying Minor/Major Behaviors

## Excelsior Springs High School Behavior Intervention Flow Chart



# Monthly Meetings

## -Building Leadership Team

- Meets 3rd Tuesday of every month
- Led by administrator
- 5 teachers (1 is district representative)

## -District Leadership Team

- Meets Tuesday afternoon every 6 weeks
- Admin & teachers from each building
- Led by Asst. Superintendent with KCRPDC



# PBIS Student Team

- Initially our Student Leadership Class (Student Council)
- Advisor chose five students including a designated chair
- Created an Instagram page
- Brainstormed incentives
- Helped run incentives



# Rally Day

- First day of school
- Every kid doing the same thing school-wide
- Taught the matrix through group activities
  - **P:** connections
  - **R:** sentence scramble
  - **I:** scenarios
  - **D:** slow reveal image
  - **E:** game
- Full puzzle contest 7th hour

## 1st Day of School Schedule

\*Students will learn Canvas tips each hour.

1st: 7:30-8:15	ChromeBook Distribution	45
2nd 8:19 - 9:04	Preparedness	45
3rd: 9:08 - 9:53	Responsibility	45
4th: 9:57 - 10:42	Integrity 10:38 Senior First Day Photo	45
5th: 10:46 - 12:10 1st: 10:42 - 11:04 2nd: 11:04 - 11:26 3rd: 11:26 - 11:48 4th: 11:48 - 12:10	Determination & Yearbook Distribution	84
6th: 12:14 - 12:59	Engagement	45
7th: 1:03 - 1:48	PRIDE Expectations	45
Assembly 1:55 - 2:30	Assembly	35

# LiveSchool Overview

LiveSchool is a platform used to manage student behavior, track points for positive behaviors, and offer rewards, aiming to create a positive learning environment.

- **Point System:** Allows teachers to award points to students for demonstrating positive behaviors.
- **Customizable School-Wide Rubric:** Staff can award points instantly and anywhere with a customized school-wide rubric, providing a consistent approach to behavior management school wide.
- **Rewards Store:** Students earn points and redeem them for rewards through a school store.
- **Data Collection and Analysis:** LiveSchool collects data on student behavior, allowing schools to identify trends and make decisions based on this data.
- **Recap:** Students receive a weekly recap with points, comments, and point balance.
- **Multiple Platforms:** LiveSchool can be used on Iphones, Ipads, Androids, and desktops..

# Point System

## 1. Preparedness

1. Efficient Use of Passing Time

+ 1

2. Lunch-Arrive & return on time

+ 1

3. Bring all supplies to class

+ 1

4. Bring charged device to class

+ 1

5. RR/LR: Take care of business.

+ 1

## 2. Responsibility

1. Efficiently navigates hallway

+ 1

2. Leaves lunch table clean

+ 1

3. Uses Canvas & resources well

+ 1

4. Uses cell phone responsibly

+ 1

5. RR/LR: intended uses only

+ 1

# Reward Store

- Open during lunch on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month
- Operated by Functional class
  - Setup store
  - Take inventory
  - Submit Orders
  - Create Signage
  - Work in store doing a variety of jobs
- Students can use points earned to buy variety of items



**Attendance Award  
Winner!**



**5 Points**

**Fun Size Candy Bar**



**5 Points**

**Vinyl Stickers**



**10 Points**

**Calm Strip**



**15 Points**

**Chips/Candy Bar**



**20 Points**

**Gatorade/Tea**



**20 Points**

**Chromebook Stylus  
Pen**



**25 Points**

**Popcorn**



**25 Points**

**Sonic Drink Delivery**



**50 Points**

**Headphones (w/wire)**



**75 Points**



**\$10 Chic-Fil-A**



**100** Points

**\$10 Chipotle (Raffle)**



**100** Points

**1 Month Spotify  
(Raffle)**



**100** Points

**Parking Spot (Raffle)**



**100** Points

**Spotify Premium 1  
mo. (Raffle)**



**100** Points

**Roar Store Coupon  
(Raffle)**



**125** Points

**Pizza Party w/ Lunch  
Table**



**150** Points

**Pizza Party w/ teacher  
and two f...**



**150** Points

**Door Dash Pass**



**250** Points





**Food Truck for Lunch**







**250** Points

# Data Collection Analysis

## Top Points

	 MERITS 	 DEMERITS	 RATIO
3. Use class time for l...	20,218	0	n/a
3. Creates positive le...	11,161	0	n/a
3. Uses Canvas & res...	5,516	0	n/a
Improved Attendance	5,015	0	n/a
3. Bring all supplies t...	3,876	0	n/a
4. Bring charged devi...	3,506	0	n/a
3. Ask ?s & communi...	3,294	0	n/a
2. Kind and accepting...	3,225	0	n/a
4. Uses cell phone re...	2,650	0	n/a

## Lowest Points

	 MERITS 	 DEMERITS	 RATIO
2. Leaves lunch table ...	330	0	n/a
1. Efficiently navigate...	440	0	n/a
1. Exhibits good hall...	503	0	n/a
5. Reports miscondu...	548	0	n/a
Be Part of Solution	551	0	n/a
5. RR/LR: Gives privac...	568	0	n/a
1. Be aware of surrou...	578	0	n/a
5. RR/LR: intended us...	635	0	n/a
5. Leaves RR/LR clean	649	0	n/a

# Student of the Month



- Department of the month
- Each teacher chooses 1 student
- Yard sign
- 10 LiveSchool points

# Community Connections



## ***Scooter's Coffee***

- Donated Coffee for 1st semester incentive

## ***Daylight Donuts***

- Discount on donuts for 1st semester incentive



## ***Sonic***

- Sonic Drinks for LiveSchool Points (60/month)
- Provided Sonic Drinks for all staff members
- ESHS Sonic Night each Monday
  - Share in announcements
  - Post on Social Media Outlets



# QUARTERLY INCENTIVES



**Coffee & Donuts  
2nd Quarter**



**Silent Disco  
3rd Quarter**



# Advisory: To Be or Not to Be

## Questions we are wrestling with as a staff....

- Where in our day do we do PBIS lessons?
- How do we support students in increasing their self-efficacy, grit, self-management skills? (Panorama Data)
- How do we provide students what they need to increase college and career readiness?

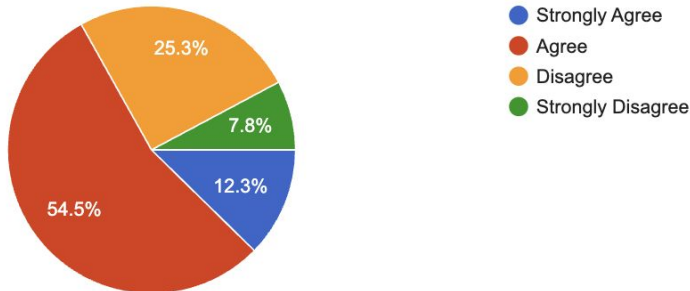
## ESHS Student Experience Survey

## Concerns about Advisory Implementation

- Previous history of Advisory models
- Buy-In and Fidelity
- Time and Resources to develop lessons
- Capacity of Admin to provide support and accountability for quality implementation

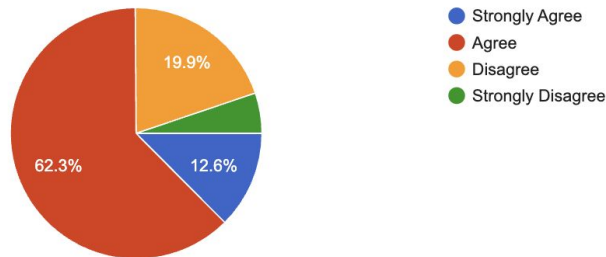
Our school helps me learn ways to navigate challenges facing teens today.

462 responses



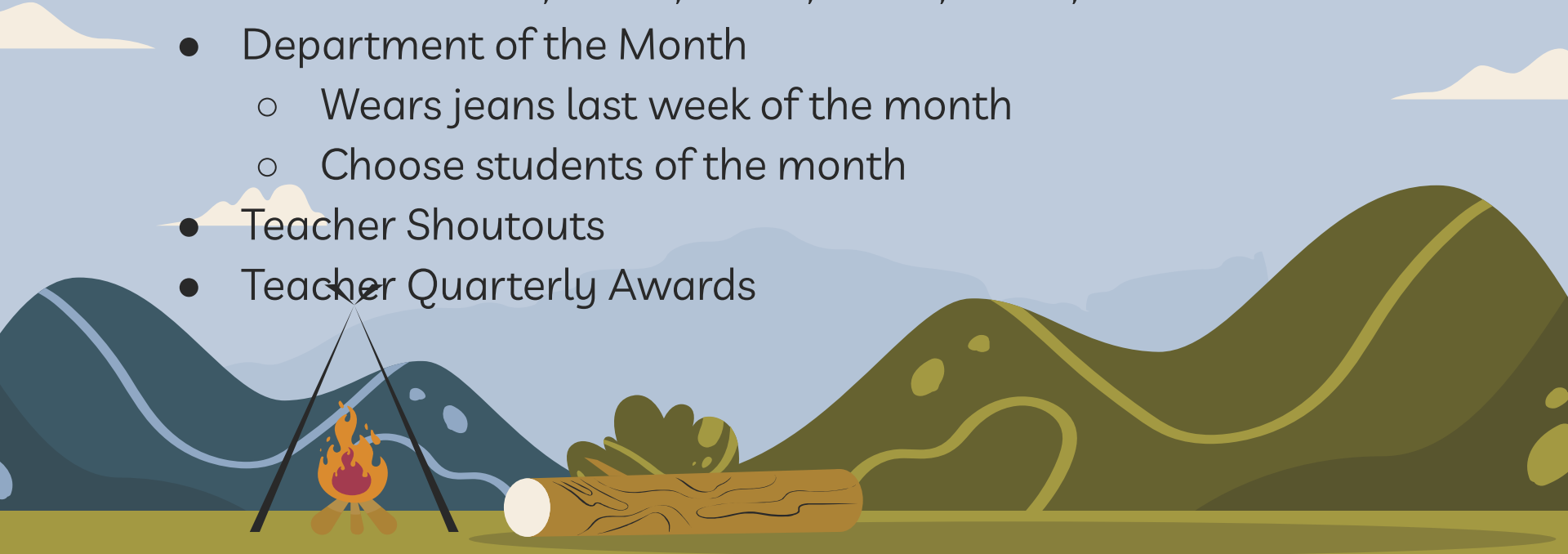
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# Teacher Recognition

- Teacher All Stars: Teachers earn decals for handing out LiveSchool Points
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- Snow Day Squares





# Cell Phone Challenge

September & October Discipline Data - Cell Phone Violations was #1 discipline offense

PBIS Team wanted to challenge students to be mindful of screen time use.

Using a google form, students were encouraged to report weekly screen time usage.

Some kids reported being more aware and conscientious of their screen time.

## **Screen Time Averages:**

October 18 - 5.7 hours

December 22 - 4.9 hours

## **Cell Phone Referrals Decreased:**

Quarter 1: 100 Cell Phone Referrals

Quarter 2: 44 Cell Phone Referrals

Quarter 3: 25 Cell Phone Referrals

## Screen Time Challenge

- Between Thanksgiving & Winter Break
- Fill out screen time Google form EVERY week
- 4 winners will be announced December 20
  - Chipotle
  - Chick-Fil-A
  - Amazon
  - Spotify Premium

# Big 5 Data

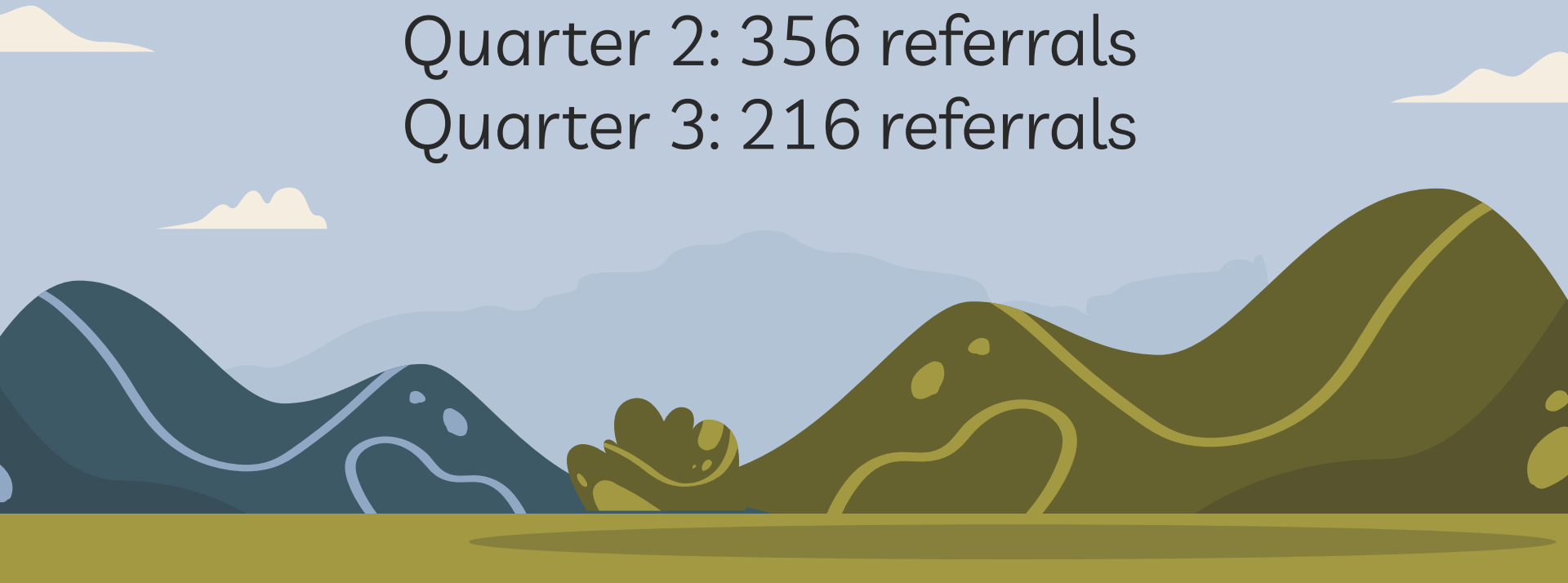
Big 5	Tardy	135
	Cell Phone	88
	Failure to Serve Detention	54
	Defiance/Insubordination/Non-Compliance	44
	Unexcused Absence	43

# Discipline Referral Data

Quarter 1: 829 referrals

Quarter 2: 356 referrals

Quarter 3: 216 referrals



# Year to Year Comparison

High School			
23-24	Total Referrals by Month	24-25	Total Referral by Month
August 2023	43	August 2024	92
September 2023	353	September 2024	363
October 2023	364	October 2024	410
November 2023	465	November 2024	149
December 2023	208	December 2024	113
January 2024	169	January 2025	
February 2024	352	February 2025	
March 2024	417	March 2025	
April 2024	290	April 2025	
May 2024	83	May 2025	
Total Referrals	2744	Total Referrals	1127

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