

Saturday Family Workshop Behavior/Program Guidelines

Saturday Family Workshop is an intensive, family-based program offered to middle and high school students and their parents or legal guardians as a required alternative consequence of a school policy or juvenile justice referral. Saturday Family Workshop is an educational intervention program, not counseling or therapy. It is a service provided by the Six District Educational Compact at no charge.

Acceptable behavior guidelines:

- No smoking or vaping permitted by students or by adults on school property/grounds, including in personal vehicles parked on school property.
- Appropriate, respectful behavior is expected. Unacceptable behavior, including use of foul language, shouting, disruptive behavior and vandalism, will not be tolerated.
- Cell phones and other technologies are not to be used during the Saturday Family Workshop sessions.

Program guidelines:

- To be most effective, students and parents must preferably attend SFW at the earliest date. This referral is assigned by either a school district or a juvenile justice entity. Questions should be directed to the referring agent.
- Saturday Family Workshop is appropriate for only first-time alcohol/other drug (AOD) offenders who have no prior AOD violations in any jurisdiction.
- Students and their parents/guardians are required to attend the three consecutive Saturday sessions, which begin at 8 a.m. and end at noon. Missing any of the three consecutive Saturday sessions will result in either the student serving the waived suspension or participating in a future Saturday Family Workshop (i.e. the three consecutive Saturday sessions).
- Rescheduling a Saturday Family Workshop session is permitted only due to an emergency.
- If rescheduling a Saturday Family Workshop session is permitted, arrangements will be handled by the referring agent (school district or juvenile justice entity).
- Students and their parents/guardians will give a brief description of the incident that led to their referral to Saturday Family Workshop.
- All Saturday Family Workshop participants will maintain confidentiality.
- Refreshment breaks will be announced by Saturday Family Workshop coordinators.
- Hats and hoods are not permitted to be worn during these sessions.



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