

# Safe and Drug-Free Schools Office



## School and District Support

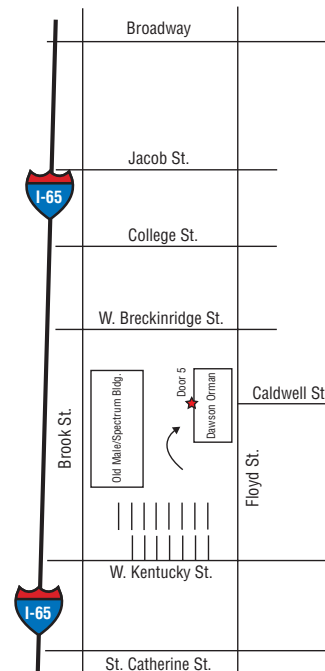
- Assists school administration on how to handle volatile or chronic behavioral situations
- Arranges English as a Second Language (ESL) interpretation for board-level suspensions
- Schedules necessary Exceptional Child Education (ECE) Admissions and Release Committee (ARC) meetings for alternative school placements
- Assists schools with reporting accurate suspension data

## Student Relations

- Collaborates with Assessment Center counselor and Pupil Personnel Assessment counselor when dealing with suspended students to determine a student's eligibility for regular or alternative school placement
- Works with students who are new to the district to determine eligibility for regular or alternative school placement
- Interacts with families in the Student Transfer Appeal Process

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## Prevention Services

**Training programs for schools and school personnel** provide prevention education and intervention training in substance abuse and aggressive behaviors. The training programs address the following specific areas:

- Alcohol
- Tobacco
- Drugs
- Gangs
- Bullying/Cyber Bullying
- Violence

**Student Programs** pair community partners with Jefferson County Public Schools (JCPS) to provide preventative programs that enhance student life. These programs include:

- **SRO (School Resource Officer)**—Law enforcement officers who work with students and with members of schools and communities to create an enhanced learning environment

**THE PURPOSE of the Safe and Drug-Free Schools (SDFS) Office is to help Jefferson County Public Schools stop violence; prevent illegal use of alcohol, tobacco and drugs; and foster a safe, drug-free learning environment.**

- **i-SAFE Cyber Bullying**—World-class curriculum that strives to empower students and parents with violence prevention and safety information
- **Drug Prevention Red Ribbon Week**—Campaign to help communities unite to take a visible stand against drugs
- **Street Heat**—Drug-prevention band that entertains and educates JCPS students about the dangers of drugs and violence
- **J-CAPP (Jefferson County Athletic Program/Project)**—Districtwide, intramural middle school sports program that promotes appropriate social behaviors/conduct
- **BABES (Beginning Alcohol and Addictions Basic Education Studies)**—Alcohol/Addiction education for 3- to 6-year-olds
- **Safe Side “Stranger Safety”**—Innovative safety program that provides parents and elementary students with an effective way to determine unsafe environments
- **Protecting You Protecting Me**—Elementary alcohol-prevention curriculum presented by high school students
- **Steps to Respect**—Bullying-prevention curriculum involving grades three through five

- **Amazing Alternatives**—Alcohol-prevention curriculum for middle schools
- **Powerlines**—Alcohol-prevention curriculum for middle schools and/or high schools
- **Grant Programs**—Funded proposals to expand and enhance prevention and intervention service

## Assessment Center

- Helps determine student and family needs and resources that are available from individual schools, JCPS, and community agencies
- Conducts assessments for board-level suspensions, Liberty and Breckinridge Metro alternative high school placements, and students enrolling from out-of-district disciplinary situations
- Interfaces with school-based personnel and other student support services
- Provides gun locks in cooperation with Louisville Metro Police Department
- Makes necessary referrals to Child Protective Services, acute psychiatric services, and JCPS Pupil Personnel and Security Offices