

# NAVIGATING PBIS AND HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

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## #1 It's all about *buy in* of the staff.

Staff must feel the passion of the principal, the urgency of positive behavior for the students and the importance of their support of the mission at hand. It won't happen all at once but you must keep pushing the importance of buy in.



## #2 Start Small.

Don't let the idea of PBIS cause anxiety or feel forced. Start small and you can have a positive impact on school culture. Start with a new welcome event that can unify the students and teachers. Teachers and students must all be included and be 100% in.



## #3 Find Your Tribe.

PBIS needs to have a dedicated group of teachers and admin to make it successful. Find your tribe. This can't happen without teachers who BELIEVE in students.

## MAKING PBIS A POSITIVE REALITY FOR YOUR SCHOOL

### ASB doesn't run PBIS.

Just because PBIS is positive and can include fun activities doesn't mean that ACTIVITIES DIRECTORS are responsible for the whole program. It shouldn't be that way. Other teachers must take an active role to legitimize the push for PBIS.

### How is PBIS funded?

LCAP and site funds can help fund PBIS activities such as FDOS or student recognition. However, ASB may have to help fund a lot of PBIS. Ask for help. Let admin know how much a guest speaker costs. Let them know what "free giveaways" actually cost. Be truthful about how ASB can support PBIS.

### Continue ASB fun!

PBIS and ASB can go hand in hand. PBIS can highlight what Renaissance and ASB probably are already doing. It can also put a spotlight on projects ASB has wanted to tackle and hasn't had the opportunity to.