

UPPER ARLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL INTERVENTION ASSISTANCE TEAM (I.A.T.)

WHY HAVE THE I.A.T.?

Increasing diversity of the student population points to more children being at risk of educational failure. The myriad of academic, social, personal, behavioral, and family problems that students face today fostered the creation of the Intervention Assistance Team at Upper Arlington High School.

WHAT IS THE I.A.T.?

The I.A.T. is a team of professional educators with diverse training and experience who convene weekly to discuss and initiate referrals on students in need of assistance and individualized services. It is a problem-solving group whose purpose is to assist teachers, parents, and others with intervention strategies for dealing with the learning needs and problems of students.

HOW DOES THE I.A.T. WORK?

Students may be referred by staff members, parents, or other concerned individuals by completing and submitting a "referral" form. The I.A.T. then reviews the referral and gathers data to evaluate the case. After the appropriate data has been collected, the team will discuss and develop an intervention/improvement plan, taking into account both school and community resources. Such a plan may include strategies and objectives for classroom teachers to modify approaches within the classroom setting. Other possible outcomes or recommendations are: referral for testing/evaluation/ review by school personnel (e.g. drug-alcohol assessment, psychological services), outside services and agencies, or placement in school programs (e.g. SNAP). A case manager is assigned to work with the student and monitor student progress. This person(s) assumes responsibility for follow-up to team members and provides communication/feedback to referring persons. To insure follow-up, a case review is conducted for each student at established time intervals.

WHAT DO I DO IF I HAVE A CONCERN?

If you feel that your child may benefit from the I.A.T., there is a referral form on the back of this brochure that may be turned in to the high school. If you would like additional information or have questions regarding the I.A.T., please contact your child's school counselor or unit principal.

WHY A STUDENT MIGHT BE REFERRED.

- Poor academic performance or effort
- A sudden decline in grades
- Disruptive behaviors.
- Concerns about health
- Concerns about drug or alcohol use
- Concerns about attendance

Upper Arlington High School
Intervention Assistance Team
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Referral to Intervention Team

Student Name _____

Grade _____

Referred by: _____

Date: _____

Title: _____

Reason for referral:

Return to your school counselor or unit principal