

## TRANSITION PROGRAM INFORMATION SHEET

### SHPD PROGRAM/SERVICE DESCRIPTION

...to continue support services to students as they transition from one school to another

**Historical Background:** The Transition Program initiated as a component of the Safe Schools/Healthy Students Initiative. The Transition Program was first implemented in the 2000-2001 school year at ten elementary schools and seven high schools. Currently, the Transition Program continues to be successfully implemented at all SFUSD sites.

#### **What is the goal of the Transition Program?**

The goal is to facilitate positive transitions to ensure student success.

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The Transition Program is a coordinated effort to ensure that students who are currently receiving support services continue to receive the support they need as they transition from elementary to middle school and from middle to high school. Such services may include tutoring, mentoring, counseling, and related programs that help support the academic achievement of the student.

Fifth and eighth grade students are referred to the Transition Program because they need continued services in their future middle or high school and/or are showing some improvement due to receiving services at their original school site.

All members of the Student Assistance Program (SAP) Teams and Student Success Teams (SST) may make referrals into the Transition Program. Those schools' SAP teams that receive identified transition students will then complete action plans to ensure that students receive services in a timely and appropriate manner.

Beyond the SAP and SST, collaboration and coordination with other support teams or programs at these sites is encouraged. Expansion of the Transition Program to connect to other school programs is being pursued.

#### **Activities within the San Francisco Unified School District and the School Health Programs Department that support the Transition Program:**

- ExCEL After School Programs
- Foster Youth Services
- Student Assistance Program
- Student Success Team
- Wellness Programs