

MBI at Bryant



What is MBI?

MBI stands for Montana Behavioral Initiative. It is a system for teaching students what is expected at school using lessons, rewards and consequences.

Why does Bryant use MBI?

It works! Once students understand what expected behaviors look like and sound like they are able to meet these expectations. Then more time can be spent on academics rather than correcting behavior.

What does MBI look like at Bryant?

Our expectations are “Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful, Be a Learner.” Students are taught what each of these looks like and sounds like in the various school settings.

How are students rewarded?

- Students earn a PAW ticket for meeting expectations.
- Every Friday a student is selected from each classroom to be recognized during the morning announcements, receive a prize from the office and their name on the bulletin board by the office for the week.
- At the end of each quarter students are recognized at the Panther Pride Assembly.

What are the consequences of not meeting expectations?

- Students are reminded of the expectations.
- The next step is reflection time. Reflection time provides students an opportunity to talk to an adult about what happened and why. The student then develops a plan for how to handle similar situations in the future.
- If these interventions are not effective students will participate in structured activities to ensure they understand the expectations and are ready to participate.

What can I do to help?

- Ask your child about their paws. (What did you do to earn the paw?)
- Encourage students to remember to be safe, be responsible, be respectful and be a learner wherever they are.