
For: School Boards, Superintendents, School Administrators, and All Other Concerned Stakeholders who are struggling to make schools better

**Managing Behavior at School:
Beyond Overrelying on Behavior Control Strategies**

A basic school improvement problem is that it remains compelling for many school personnel to think that behavior problems can be exorcized by “laying down the law.” However, for every student who “shapes up,” too many others experience a trajectory that ends with the student being pushed-out of school through a progression of suspensions, “opportunity” transfers, and expulsions. It is essential to move as fast as possible away from overreliance on behavior control strategies.

See a recent discussion of what is involved in Chapter 6 of *Improving School improvement* which can be freely accessed at http://smhp.psych.ucla.edu/improving_school_improvement.html

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