



Bellville School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) Report

2020-2021

May 27 , 2021

1.0 Mission

To ensure that all children, grades K-12, will receive appropriate, sequential health education instruction that accurately reflects the current issues facing the local community, and thus these students.

2.0 Purpose

To act as an advisory group of individuals who collectively provide advice and recommendations to the Bellville ISD School Board related to school health.

3.0 Current Members

Bellville SHAC has been meeting since October 2001.

Member's Name	Member's Title
Robin Higgins	District Coordinator
Kortney Estep	Member
Michelle Wright	Member
Rachel Kubala	Member
Amanda Kennedy	Member
Amy Thomas	Member
Jenni Smalley	Member
Lori Gaines	Member
Julie Kaase	Member
Bonnie Kunkel	Member
Michael Coopersmith	District Liaison
Nicole Poenitzsch	District Liaison

4.0 2020-2021 Activities

1. Dating Dilemmas

This program is presented to the 8th grade students during the Principles of Human Service and Computer Science classes. It is done through a partnership with the Texas Department of State Health Services and Texas Agri-Life Extension office. This program will be done on April 28, 2021.

2. Social Emotional Learning

Our committee worked with the Positive Action Committee (PAC) on the recommendation of a Social Emotional Learning curriculum for the 7th grade students in the district. Our committee agreed with the PAC on the recommendation of the Character Strong curriculum. There is also a program that will be done with all athletes grades 7 through 12. This program is called Two Words. The committee also agrees with this program as well.

3. Second Grade Water Safety Program

This program is done through the OBP PE classes for 2nd grade students. This program takes students to the BlueBell Aquatic Center in Brenham and teaches water safety to the students. As of the time of this report this is still in the scheduling process for this school year. If this program is able to be done this year it will be 2 days instead of 3 days as in years past.

5.0 SHAC Recommendations

1. The SHAC members are in agreement that the Dating Dilemmas program should be presented to the 8th grade students. The committee also agrees with the district that parents must sign a permission slip in order for students to be allowed to attend the program.
2. The SHAC members agree that the water safety program should be continued as long as funding is available.
3. The SHAC members agree that we should continue to look for an appropriate Internet safety program to be presented to all students.
4. The SHAC members agree that the dentist from DSHS is a valuable service to the students and recommend offering this every 2-3 years as long as the service is available.
5. The SHAC members agree that a Vaping Awareness program should be presented to high school students during the 21/22 school year.
6. The committee is still seeking new parent members, specifically those that have students at O'Bryant Primary, O'Bryant Intermediate and Bellville Jr. High.