Office Managed Behavior: Serious misbehavior that endangers the safety or well-being or makes normal classroom activities difficult or impossible.

Office managed behavior does not always warrant a referral.

Staff Managed Behaviors: Failure to follow school or classroom rules and expectations.

Staff managed behavior does not always warrant an Uh Oh slip.
WHAT ARE THEY?

Uh-Oh slips are a teacher-monitored system for tracking and documenting behavior. They allow staff to:
- Look at antecedents that may be triggering behavior.
- Look for patterns of behavior.
- Track different consequences. What works? What doesn’t?
- Keep parents informed of behaviors at school.

HOW DO THEY WORK?

Level 2 chronic behavior has occurred and an Uh-Oh needs to be given.

**Step 1:** Talk to all students involved before writing an Uh-Oh to confirm what happened and to inform students they are getting an Uh-Oh (Due Process).

**Step 2:** Write the Uh-Oh slip with a clear explanation of behavior.
  - Be brief, use an extra piece of paper if needed, use the back of the white portion of the Uh-Oh, or give a verbal explanation to the teacher when you check in.

**Step 3:** Bring the Uh-Oh slip to the student’s teacher IN PERSON to explain who, what, why, when, and where. It is the teacher’s responsibility at this time to ask any questions to clarify.
  - If it is not a good time for the teacher to talk, please try to make time. You will be the one following up with the parents if necessary.

**Step 4:** White slip is sent home with student and the teacher keeps the yellow copy on file in a way that meets their needs.

**Step 5:** Follow up.
WHAT ARE THEY?

Discipline referrals are an office-managed system for tracking and documenting behavior.

WHEN ARE DISCIPLINE REFERRALS USED?

Discipline referrals are completed when:
  • A student has accumulated 3 Uh-Oh’s for the same behavior within a trimester OR
  • A student exhibits an office-managed behavior.
Follow Up with Parent (Teacher)

Did the slip come back signed?
- If YES, white slip stays at school.  **ALL DONE 😊**
- If NO, teacher call parent.  **ALL DONE 😊**

**FOLLOW UP WITH PARENT IS DONE AT TEACHER’S DISCRETION BASED ON STUDENT NEEDS.**

Follow Up with Student (Teacher or Classified)

Person who wrote the Uh-Oh slip will process the behavior with the student.
- Was an apology written?
- Were consequences given?
- Was student asked what a better choice would have been?
- Always end with the positive behavior stated.  **ALL DONE 😊**

**REMEMBER TO REWARD OR ACKNOWLEDGE THE POSITIVE BEHAVIORS THAT THE STUDENT SHOWS AFTER AN UH-OH HAS BEEN GIVEN THAT RELATES TO THE OFFENSE.**

**REMEMINDER:** It takes 3 Uh-Oh slips of the same offense in a trimester to warrant a discipline referral. On the fourth offense of the same behavior, the 3 Uh-Oh slips are then attached to a discipline referral before putting it in the principal’s box.
Procedure for Dealing with Problem Behavior

OBSERVE PROBLEM BEHAVIOR

Find a place to talk with student(s)

Is behavior office managed?

NO

Problem Solve

Determine consequence

Follow procedure documented on an Uh-Oh slip

YES

Ensure Safety

Write referral, if applicable, and escort student to office if necessary

ADMINISTRATOR PROCEEDS

DOES STUDENT HAVE 3?

NO

File Uh-Oh

YES

Send referral to office with attached Uh-Ohs

Determine Consequence

Follow Documented Procedure

Follow Through with Consequences

File Necessary Documentation
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**PBS Levels**

**Level 3** (1-5% of students fit this category)

**Who deals with level 3 behaviors?**
Principal or Vice Principal

After consulting with the appropriate team members, the principal will issue a consequence or corrective action designed to assist the student to improve his/her behavior.

**Level 3 behaviors include but are not limited to:** chronic Level 2 behaviors, vandalism, theft, fighting, harassment, threat of violence, etc.

**Level 2** (5-15% of students fit this category)

**Who deals with level 2 behaviors?**
Classroom teacher or referring staff member

Students in this category are at risk for problem behavior. They require specialized group intervention. Level 2 behaviors will be documented in writing (Uh-Oh slip) and parents sign the slip.

**Level 2 behaviors include but are not limited to:** chronic level 1 behavior, cheating, teasing, disrespect to adult, inappropriate physical behavior, etc.

**Level 1** (80% of students fit this category)

**Who deals with level 1 behavior?**
Adult in charge at the place the violation occurred

Students in this category follow the rules and expectations with universal interventions or the general teaching we do in our classrooms and during our PBS parade. They occasionally display behaviors that are minor rule violations. Usually talking to the student will result in desired change.

**Level 1 behavior includes but is not limited to:** play fighting, littering, chewing gum, lying, failure to follow school rules, uncooperative behavior, etc.
OFFICE MANAGED PROBLEM BEHAVIORS

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| Abusive/Inappropriate Language   | Verbal messages that include swearing, name calling or use of words in an inappropriate way. | **OFFICE MANAGED**  
  - Use of racial slurs and other discriminatory words (retard, gay, lesbian, ‘n’ word)  
  - Encouraging others to use words in an inappropriate way (teaching SLPA student bad word)  
  - A student types the word “sex” on computer or does a search for inappropriate content  
  
  **STAFF MANAGED**  
  - Saying disrespectful words or put downs (stupid, dummy, fatso, dork, 4-eyes)  
  - Put another students work down (making fun of teacher’s drawings)  
  - Stubbing toe and saying a bad word |
| Alcohol                          | Student is in possession of or is using alcohol. | **OFFICE MANAGED**  
  - If caught in possession, this immediately is an office issue (on breath or in possession)  
  
  **STAFF MANAGED**  
  - Take mouthwash and spray away from student |
| Arson                            | Student plans and/or participates in malicious burning of property. | **OFFICE MANAGED**  
  - Kids playing with matches/lighter on the playground  
  - You hear a student saying they are planning to bring matches to school to burn down the building  
  - You find a picture of Menlo Park burning down and people on fire in a student’s desk  
  
  **STAFF MANAGED**  
  - Trying to burn insects at recess with a magnifying glass  
  - You hear a student saying they are going to bring matches to school  
  - A student brags to another student that he plans on burning his report card |
| Firecracker/Explosives           | Student is in possession of substances/objects readily capable of causing bodily harm and/or property damage (matches, lighters, firecrackers, gasoline, lighter fluid). | **OFFICE MANAGED**  
  - Flaunting firecracker/explosive for attention  
  - Threatening use or using any above mentioned item  
  - Lighting fire in trash  
  
  **STAFF MANAGED**  
  - Student accidentally brings matches or lighter to school and brings it to staff member  
  - Student is unaware of item in backpack and another student sees it and tells |
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| **Roughhousing/Physical Contact** | Actions involving physical contact where injury may not occur (e.g., wrestling, pushing, play fighting, etc.). | **OFFICE MANAGED**  
- Age?  
- Individual?  
- Intent?  

**STAFF MANAGED**  
- Pushing another student  
- Grabbing or pulling another student  
- Roughhousing/ (too physical) Play Fighting |
| **Cheating/Plagiarism** | Copying your own work from another source. | **OFFICE MANAGED**  
- Repeated cheating or plagiarizing in class  
- A student copies text or artwork from a published source for a contest or any assignment  
- Report copying of state test to office  

**STAFF MANAGED**  
- “Using an idea” from another group during a task in class  
- Copying from a book or other student and turning it in as own work  
- Cheating on a test |
| **Weapons** | Student is in possession of knives or guns (real or look alike), or other objects readily capable of causing bodily harm. | **OFFICE MANAGED**  
- Threat of harm with real or pretend (finger guns, fake, drawing) weapons  
- Bringing and showing weapon to kids  
- Anything used as a weapon  

**STAFF MANAGED**  
- “Pretend” play with “weapons” (finger gun, drawing picture of guns)  
- Student uses rubber bands, paper clips to mess with other students  
- Student unintentionally brings knife and brings it to staff member |
| **Disruption** | Behavior causing an interruption in a class or activity. Disruption includes sustained loud talk, yelling, or screaming; noise with materials; horseplay or roughhousing; and/or sustained out-of-seat behavior. | **OFFICE MANAGED**  
- Student refuses to work after warnings, then refuses to go to buddy class for time out  
- Student throws an object out of anger (chair, scissors, etc.)  
- During clean up a student is injured when two students play ‘Smack Down’  

**STAFF MANAGED**  
- Student refuses to work after warnings  
- Student throws class work on the floor, refuses to work  
- Two students push each other to get a front row seat on the carpet |
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