



No Cost to Attend!

The Freemasons of Vermont pay all participant expenses for training, materials, lodging and meals. Schools are only responsible for the cost of substitute teachers and providing the organizers with a signed letter of commitment.

History

Vermont Freemasons have underwritten more than \$550,000 in training costs since 1990 to support this program at no cost to attendees. Since that time, more than 226 Vermont schools have been represented at this training (some more than once)!. Using certified instructors from the national Masonic Model Student Assistance Program, the Vermont Masons C.A.R.E. program is the second longest running program in the United States.

For More Information:

For upcoming workshop dates or registration information, please check the following websites first:

www.asap-vt.org

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www.vtfreemasons.org

If you have any other questions, please call:

1 (800) 479-3975.

Vermont Grand Lodge Office

Vermont Freemasons C.A.R.E.



About the Masonic Model Student Assistance Program (MMSAP)

The MMSAP teaches Team Solutions that will work for your school!

MMSAP HELPS GOOD TEACHERS BECOME EVEN BETTER
BY TEACHING THE WHOLE TEAM APPROACH.

Why the Masonic Model Student Assistance Program?

Behavior issues are symptoms of a bigger problem. Because students in distress may not ask for help, it falls to the teacher to read the signs and intervene before it's too late. Enter the Masonic Model Student Assistance

This innovative workshop builds educators' skills in identifying at-risk students and providing appropriate guidance.

Program. This national program has proven to be an effective tool for educators as they seek to make the most out of every minute of teaching time. The MMSAP approach considers the child as a whole, identifying all the factors that might contribute to the student's behavior or inability to learn. Team collaboration leads to a solution by helping to identify and provide support and referrals for students at risk for substance abuse, depression, suicide or violence. This approach gives students a greater chance of staying in school and becoming successful members of society. By the end of the workshop, your team will leave empowered and ready to address the barriers to learning and academic achievement.

Who Should Attend?

Schools should send 4-6 participants to the workshop who will form a core MMSAP team at their school. Team members include:

- Administrators
- Counselors
- Teachers (including special education providers)
- SAPs and SROs
- School nurses & psychologists
- Other staff (bus drivers, custodians, nutrition staff, etc.)
- Community & School Board Members



"...because the best treatment is *prevention!*"

Workshop Overview

Day One

Overview of MMSAP
Developmental Assets
Chemical Dependency
Depression and Suicide
Communication Skills
Conflict, Bullying & Violence

Day Two

The Dynamics of Families in Pain
Enabling & Co-Dependency
Treatment, Recovery & Aftercare
Life Skills
Building a Successful Core Team
Vermont Resource Fair

Day Three

The Student Assistance Process
Case Studies
Action Planning

Booster workshops are periodically offered to enhance team effectiveness.

