SAP CONNECTION

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER BROUGHT TO YOU BY PA NETWORK FOR STUDENT ASSISTANCE SERVICES

Explore the Training Calendar Tab on the PNSAS Website

This year's SAP articles will focus on the resources available on the PA Network for Student Assistance Services (PNSAS) website. PNSAS regularly updates documents and adds additional resources to the site. The SAP Connection articles will review available resources each month to assist SAP teams and other stakeholders.

The Training Calendar

The Training Calendar tab on the PNSAS website is a resource for educators, administrators, and professionals seeking professional development through SAP K–12 trainings. Trainings are offered by PA Approved SAP Training Providers (PASTPs). PASTPs are organizations approved by the Pennsylvania Network for Student Assistance Services (PNSAS) to deliver standardized SAP K–12 training. Currently, there are 23 approved providers located throughout the state. These providers are responsible for delivering high-quality, consistent training in both in-person and virtual formats. On the Training Calendar tab, you'll find a complete list of these providers, PA Approved SAP Training Providers including their addresses and phone numbers, for questions or registration support.

How to Navigate the Training Calendar

The calendar interface is user-friendly and designed to help you quickly find upcoming trainings: Use the left and right arrows beside the displayed month to scroll through different months. All scheduled trainings for the selected month will be listed below in the calendar. Each training entry includes key details such as: training title, provider name, format (in-person or virtual), location, registration link, and cost information.

Clicking on a training entry will open a more detailed view, allowing you to access full registration instructions, contact information, and any special notes.

Training Format and Continuing Education Credits

All PNSAS SAP K–12 trainings follow a standardized curriculum, whether delivered online or in person. Participants who complete the training are eligible to receive Act 48 credit (13 hours) for professional educators or (14 hours) Act 45 credit for school and system leaders. Training costs may vary depending on the provider, so it's important to review the details for each session.

Free Training Opportunities Through PDE Grant

A highlight of the Training Calendar tab is the availability of free SAP K–12 training through a PDE-funded grant. This grant was awarded to 13 PASTP's and is valid through 2026. Thanks to this funding school entities can access SAP K–12 training at no cost. The grant also covers the cost of substitute staff. Details about this opportunity are available in the PDE funded SAP training announcement.

The training tab is updated regularly as PASTPs add SAP trainings. So, check back to see trainings for later in the school year. Also, feel free to contact PASTPs about hosting a local training.

Please reach out to your PNSAS Regional Coordinator for assistance.

SAP Interagency

Department of Drug & Alcohol Programs (DDAP)

PA Department of Education (PDE)

Department of Human Services (DHS)

Training Opportunities

SAP Training - For upcoming training opportunities, click **here**.

Grants

For open PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) grant opportunities, click **here**.

SAP Retraining & Refresher

PNSAS is offering a free SAP Refresher workshop for existing SAP team members. Attend a 1-hour virtual session to receive valuable statewide SAP updates and learn more about the SAP Case Manager Role and SAP Action Planning.

Join other SAP team members from across the state to hear more about ways your team can share the workload and incorporate action planning and follow-up.

One hour of Act 45 or 48 credit is available after attendance with completion of an evaluation.

Space is limited - registration is required - sessions will be closed as they reach capacity!

Choose one session to attend and register by clicking here or scanning the QR code below:
- October 9th: 8am-9am (FULL!)
- October 16th: 2pm-3pm
- October 23rd: 1pm-2pm
- November 3rd: 9am-10am

Suicide Prevention PSA Contest

The GLS Youth Suicide Prevention team is partnering with Prevent Suicide PA to run the 2026 PSA contest for Youth Suicide Prevention for high school students in the commonwealth. Please click this link for more information.

Create a powerful public service announcement to help spread awareness and show your peers that they are not alone.

Winning groups will receive a prizes of $500, with an additional $500 reward for their school to develop or improve student wellness and mental health initiatives.

There are two PSA categories:
- 18"x24" poster
- 30-60 second video

Submissions are due by January 9, 2026.

SAP Liaison Connection Series

PNSAS is excited to announce that our previous SAP Liaison Networking Calls are now the SAP Liaison Connection Series! This refreshed series will focus on training, professional development, and strengthening our liaison community. Each session is designed to support your growth and success in your role. Click here to visit our liaison page for more information!

Remaining SAP Liaison Connection Dates:
November 20 | 1:00–2:00 PM
February 12 | 8:00–9:00 AM
April 23 | 1:00–2:00 PM
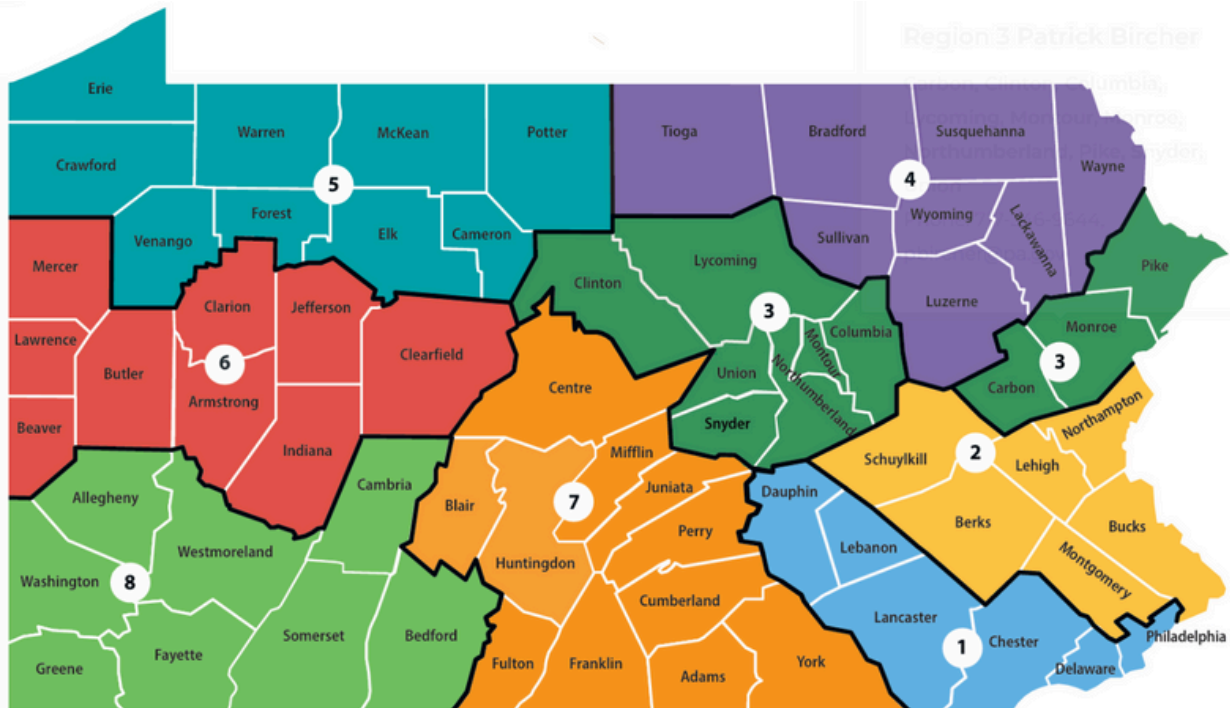
Newly Revised Liaison Best Practice Guidelines

We're excited to share that the SAP Liaison Best Practice Guidelines have been updated! You can find the revised version on the PNSAS site under the Liaison tab - first box on the left.

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