

# Lancaster County Truancy Diversion Program

## Incentives & Sanctions

The incentives and sanctions listed below are typically what you should expect for various behaviors while a participant in TDP. They are based on the behavior, your own history, and they can and will be modified as needed. The goal of the team is to provide an incentive to reinforce a positive behavior or a sanction that will stop a negative behavior from reoccurring. You should expect an immediate sanction for any behavior that is a violation of the TDP program.

**Incentives:** Students meeting the Truancy Diversion Program’s expectations can expect to receive lots of incentives. These include:

**Small Incentives:** free food coupons, candy, school rewards, etc.

**Medium Incentives:** \$5 gift cards, passes to The Bay, etc.

**Large Incentives:** \$20 gift cards, movie theatre tickets, excused from court or groups, etc.

BEHAVIOR	EXPECTED INCENTIVE
2 weeks perfect attendance and ALL passing grades	Large incentive and Excused from next TDP Court session
2 weeks perfect attendance and no more than ONE failing classes	Large incentive
1 week perfect attendance and ALL passing grades	Large incentive
1 week perfect attendance and passing more than 50% of classes	Medium incentive
Grades raised to passing	Small incentive
Attendance improvement (decreased TD/TR)	Small incentive
Attend therapy appointment	Small incentive
Completing your initial evaluation with OMNI	Small incentive
Other incentives at TDP team’s discretion	

\*Perfect attendance = 1 tardy or less per week

**Sanctions:** Students not meeting the Truancy Diversion Program’s expectations can expect to receive sanctions. All violations may be staffed with the TDP team to determine the appropriate sanction, up to and including termination from the TDP program. This chart does

NOT cover every violation or every potential sanction, just some of the most common. After you receive a sanction you will be counseled by the SSW.

BEHAVIOR	SANCTION
10 tardies in between court sessions	
2 days of unexcused absence (combined) in between court sessions	
Failure to meet individualized homework goal (determined by TDP team) in between court sessions.	3 <sup>rd</sup> sanction- Case sent back to juvenile court
2 unexcused therapy sessions within a semester (no call/no show/no reschedule) You are responsible for rescheduling missed sessions and providing explanations to your therapist for missed sessions.	3 <sup>rd</sup> sanction– Case sent back to juvenile court
Any unexcused absence from Why Try Group	3 <sup>rd</sup> sanction- Case sent back to juvenile court
Receiving an Out-of-School Suspension	2 <sup>nd</sup> sanction – Case sent back to juvenile court
Receive 2 In-School Suspension as a result of discipline or other Administrative Discipline.	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Case sent back to juvenile court
Any unexcused absence from TDP court session	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Case sent back to juvenile court
8 sanctions–Each sanction will be tallied. After 8 sanctions in the program the case will be sent back to juvenile court. Sanction tallies will continue from Spring to Fall semester	Case sent back to juvenile court