

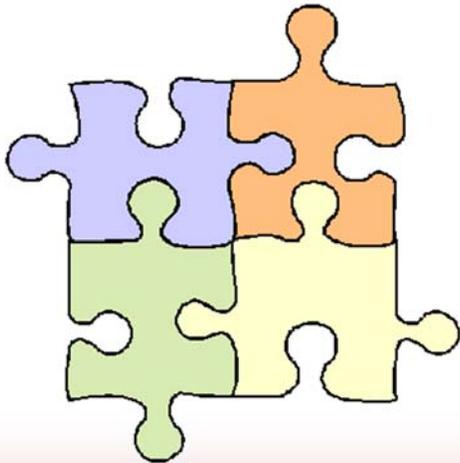
School counselors help kids when...

- Their grades are falling
- They just need someone to talk to
- They are faced with a tough situation
- They have experienced a loss or family change
- They need help dealing with feelings
- They are having trouble with friends

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Putting the pieces together?
Counselors can help!

Importance of School Attendance

School attendance is both a right and a responsibility. The School District is an active partner with students and parents in the task of ensuring that all students meet or exceed the Wisconsin state learning standards. Research continues to show that regular school attendance is directly related to positive student achievement and growth.

It is recognized that absence from school may be necessary under certain circumstances. Parents are encouraged to call in student absences followed with a written notice. However, in accordance with the Compulsory School Attendance laws, a student will be considered a habitual truant if he/she is "absent from school without an acceptable excuse for either of the following: part of five or more days in a semester or part or all of 10 or more days during the school year. "

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SCHOOL COUNSELOR

We are committed to educating the whole child while providing a safe and nurturing environment that promotes a passion for lifelong learning, respect for self and others, and an appreciation for individual differences.



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Parents are Partners
in Expecting Success

MISSION STATEMENT

The primary goal of school counseling programs is to support academic success in 100% of students.

The mission of the Deerfield Schools Counseling Program is to maximize the potential of all students, helping prepare them to become responsible members of society.

CONFIDENTIALITY

All information shared with the counselor is confidential unless:

1. You are planning to harm yourself or others

or

2. You are the victim of abuse or neglect

In these situations, counselors are required by law to report this information to parents and/or the appropriate agencies.

SCHOOL COUNSELORS MEET WITH STUDENTS TO:

- Listen
- Provide support when dealing with personal problems
- Create plans for increasing academic success and emotional well-being

SCHOOL COUNSELORS MEET WITH PARENTS OR GUARDIANS TO:

- Provide support & outside resources for parents seeking help
- Share information about their child within the boundaries of a counselor's professional ethics
- Review the student's academic & social skills

SCHOOL COUNSELORS CONSULT WITH STAFF & OTHER PROFESSIONALS TO:

- Help identify & assist students with academic or behavioral difficulties
- Assist administration in coordinating activities such as class placement & testing
- Assist staff in teaching developmental guidance curriculum
- Make referrals to community agencies when necessary

THE SCHOOL COUNSELING PROGRAM PROVIDES:

- Classroom guidance activities aligned with state & national standards
- Opportunities for parents & staff to refer for counseling students who are experiencing academic, behavioral or personal difficulties that interfere with learning
- Individual or small group counseling with students
- Opportunities for parents to be involved in their child's academic success

THE SCHOOL COUNSELING PROGRAM DOES NOT:

- Provide long-term counseling or psychotherapy for students
- Interfere with family values. The values of school, such as the importance of learning & respect for self & others, are conveyed school-wide as well as in the counseling program
- Coerce or force any child to participate in either small group or individual counseling
- Encourage or allow children to reveal personal, private or family information in the classroom

School counselors help you do your very best!