

Who are the School Social Workers?

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ABOUT US

School Social Workers are employed by the Allen East School District to support the district mission.

All School Social Workers have a Master's degree in social work and are licensed by the Ohio Department of Education and the Ohio Counselor, Social Work, & Marriage and Family Therapist Board.

School Social Workers have specialized training in assessing and intervening with a variety of individual and family problems.

If you have any questions regarding the school social work program, please call your child's school who will connect you with the School Social Worker.

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Who are School Social Workers and How Can They Help?



Need help? Ask your School Social Worker.



It's OK to get help

DIRECT SERVICES TO STUDENTS & FAMILIES

School social workers provide supportive counseling and mental health skill building to individual students, groups of students, and families. They screen and assess students to determine the appropriate level of care for school treatment intervention and possibly referrals to community mental health agencies; as well as serving as a liaison between school and community agencies.

In addition, they work with students who are facing a variety of challenges, such as truancy, social anxiety, depression, self-harm, aggressive behaviors, substance abuse problems, bullying, eating disorders, mood dysregulation, attention and concentration, early psychosis, sexual identity issues, and peer relationship problems. They also work with students to address immediate concerns, such as coping with stress, parental divorce, school avoidance, and grief and loss issues.

School social workers provide crisis intervention and/or therapeutic services to students by initiating a screening and then, if needed, connecting the student to a crisis assessment, in collaboration with community emergency services.

MAKING THE CONNECTION



SERVICES:

CONSULTATION AND EDUCATION

School social workers confer with school personnel to sensitize administrators and teachers to the various student -family - school - community relations which affect a student's academic performance. Providing consultation at the school level, social workers aim to enhance classroom/ school climate for success, promote optimal learning, improve interpersonal skills and alleviate barriers to school adjustment.

For after hour or weekend mental health crisis needs, please contact the local 24/7 Crisis Hotline:

1-800-567-4673 (HOPE) or TEXT 741-741

Anonymous (confidential) referrals may be made to the social workers by students, parents, or community members by using this link:

<https://www.ae.k12.oh.us/AnonymousTipLine.aspx>

Community Resources: wecarepeople.org