



Psychological Services 2022-2023

Service	Service Description
School Psychological Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conducted by a certified school psychologist upon referral from the educational team• Assesses a student's cognitive skills, academic skills and overall aptitude for learning• Provides information related to a student's social-emotional development and mental health status as well as visual-motor skills, perceptual skills, executive functions, etc., as appropriate to the needs of the case• Evaluations are completed utilizing a variety of assessment instruments, checklists, observations, parent and teacher interviews, etc.• Recommendations for educational services and structure of the learning environment, appropriate to the student's needs, are provided and discussed with the parents and members of the educational team• Provides impressions on eligibility for special services, as appropriate• Evaluations in specialized areas such as Autism, Vision, and Deaf/Hard of Hearing and Gifted are also available• Information from the evaluation and team discussion is documented in a written report, prepared by the psychologist• Evaluations are performed either on-site at the district, at the CAIU's Enola Office building or at Hill Top Academy• Evaluations can include Functional Behavior Assessment
Clinical Mental Health Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conducted by a Pennsylvania Licensed Clinical Psychologist upon referral from the educational team• Assesses a student's mental health status and personality structure• Provides information related to a student's psychological-social-emotional development, personality strengths and descriptors, psychiatric diagnosis and treatment recommendations (when applicable)• Evaluations are completed utilizing a variety of assessment instruments, checklists, observations, parent and teacher interviews, student interview and mental status examination, etc.• Recommendations for educational services and structure of the learning environment, appropriate to the student's needs, are provided and discussed with the parents and members of the educational team• Provides impressions on eligibility for additional services outside the school setting, as appropriate• Specialized evaluations to address specific questions of psychological functioning or to make differential diagnosis can be arranged• Information from the evaluation and team discussion is documented in a written report, prepared by the psychologist

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- Evaluations are performed at the CAIU's Enola Office building, at Hill Top Academy, or on-site at the district.
 - Depending on the nature of the evaluation, several sessions might be necessary
 - Trauma/RISK assessments completed for students at-risk and/or suspended due to school threats
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***Psychological
Programmatic
Consultation***

- A certified school psychologist can collaborate with school personnel and parents to:
- Identify and develop effective solutions to academic/learning, social/emotional, and behavioral concerns
 - Facilitate the understanding of child development and its impact on learning and behavior
 - Work in partnership with school staff, parents, and community service providers to promote healthy school environments
 - Assist school personnel and families in managing crises such as illness, death, or community trauma.
 - Develop Positive Behavior Support Plans based on information gathered from the FBA
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***Autism Diagnostic
Observation
Schedule (ADOS)***

- Conducted by certified school psychologist and may include a licensed speech pathologist and/or occupational therapist
 - Assesses behavior, communication and social interaction
 - Test consists of four modules; attuned to differing developmental and language levels
 - Outcomes and recommendations will be issued to the team and/or incorporated into the psychological evaluation
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