

Our Mission at HCHS

School Social Workers are dedicated to the district's educational mission by providing services that strengthen home, school and community partnerships and supporting students and their family's emotional and physical well being.

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Hinsdale Central
High School

School Social Work Department

2021-2022



Counseling Services

The Social Work Department is the cornerstone of the intervention process. We receive referrals from teachers, guidance counselors and other school personnel as well as parents and students. The referrals help us identify students who are struggling socially, emotionally, and/or academically. We offer numerous services including:

- Individual and Group counseling (group offerings vary based on student interest)
- Support counseling
- Crisis Intervention
- Consultation to teachers and administrators
- Assessments & Referrals
- Classroom Presentations

Through the above services we deal with:

- Depression
- Behavior changes
- Substance Abuse
- Parent Conflict
- Stress
- Alienation
- Grief and loss
- Trauma



When should I contact a counselor or social worker?

As we know, student behavior can change day-to-day. It is important that if you notice any of the following signs over a period of time and feel it is out of the ordinary for the student, contact us regarding your concern:

- Unfocused, distracted
- Sad
- Isolates self from others
- Easily Agitated or has frequent anger outbursts
- Repeatedly wearing the same clothing or lacks personal hygiene
- Excessive sleeping in class
- Chronically Absent or complains of somatic symptoms
- Chronically Absent
- Change in Academic Performance



How do I make a referral to my social worker?

You may contact any of the social workers by:

- Emailing us directly
- Phone
- Or dropping by Room 113

Access our Virtual Social Work Office here:

<https://d86.hinsdale86.org/domain/71>

Community Resource Guide

Hinsdale Central Assistance:

Books, Gym Uniforms, Free Lunches, Course Fees
Jessica Hurt — Assistant Principal for Curriculum
Jhurt@hinsdale86.org
Ryan Maita — Assistant Principal for Operations
rmaita@hinsdale86.org

Hinsdale Central Healthcare Assistance Resource:

Provides referrals for vision, hearing, dental, and other health needs.
Missy Geibel— School Nurse
mgeibel@hinsdale86.org

Access DuPage

Resources for finding medical services to those who are uninsured, including drug assistance, referral coordination, and enrollment help for aid.
511 Thornhill Dr. Suite E Carol Stream, IL 60188
(630)510-8720, <http://www.accessdupage.org/>

People's Resource Center, Southeast:

Provides a food pantry, clothing connection, emergency rent and mortgage assistance, family connection, computer skills and technology, adult and family literacy, job assistance, and holiday help.
649 Blackhawk Dr. Westmont, IL 60559
(630)682-5402, <http://www.peoplesrc.org/>

The Community House

Resource for professional development, outreach, and consultation, individual, couple, and family counseling, and sliding scale fee is available based on income.
415 W. Eighth St. Hinsdale, IL 60521
(630)323-7500, Counseling Department x239,
<http://www.thecommunityhouse.org/>

DuPage County Health Department

422 N. Cass Ave. Westmont, IL 60559
(630)682-7400, <http://www.dupagehealth.org/>

Hinsdale Community Service

Provides financial assistance, emergency rental assistance, a food pantry, case management for families, and employment and educational training.
19 E. Chicago Ave. Hinsdale, IL 60521
(630) 323-2500, www.hcsfamilyservices.org/
Food Pantry (2nd Floor of Memorial Building)
19 East Maple Street, Hinsdale, IL 60521
Hours: Monday & Wednesday 8:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m. Friday 3:30 p.m.—6:00 p.m.
Registration ends a half hour before Food Pantry closes

Wellness House

Provides cancer information and education, support groups, family programs, stress reduction, and healthy living skills.
131 N. County Line Rd. Hinsdale, IL 60521
(630)323-5150, <http://www.wellnesshouse.org/>

This is not intended to be a complete listing of available services. This was created with the intent of increasing awareness and information on services available. The presence of these resources does not constitute an official endorsement. Rather, they are presented as a courtesy. Please contact the social work department for any additional questions or information.