

FOX CHAPEL AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Section	100 Programs
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Purpose

The Board recognizes the district's role in promoting the positive mental health of its students. In addition to required student services, the Board supports and realizes the potential needs/benefits of school-based mental health services within the district.

Authority

The Board directs that every six (6) years, the district shall develop a written plan for implementing a comprehensive and integrated K-12 program of student services, based on the needs of students. The plan shall be made available for public inspection and comment in the district's administrative offices and the nearest public library for a minimum of twenty-eight (28) days prior to approval by the Board. [\[1\]](#)[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)

The Board directs that the student services plan shall be reviewed and revised as necessary. [\[1\]](#)

Guidelines

Services offered by community agencies in district schools shall be coordinated by and be under the general direction of the school district. [\[1\]](#)

The following categories of services shall be provided by the district and included in the student services plan: [\[1\]](#)

1. Developmental services that address students' needs throughout their district enrollment, which include: guidance counseling, psychological services, health services, home and school visitor services, and social work services that support students in addressing academic, behavioral, health, personal and social development issues. [\[4\]](#)[\[5\]](#)[\[6\]](#)[\[7\]](#)[\[8\]](#)
2. Diagnostic, intervention and referral services for students experiencing problems attaining educational achievement appropriate to their learning potential.
3. Consultation and coordination services for students who are experiencing chronic problems that require multiple services by teams or specialists.

The district shall plan and provide for a Student Assistance Program (SAP) in accordance with applicable law and regulations. The district will have the authority to enter into agreements with licensed mental health agencies which provide school-based mental health services for students whose parents/guardians have a signed informed consent indicating their desire and approval for their child to be seen in school.^{[9][10][11]}

The district's student services shall:^[1]

1. Be an integral part of the instructional program at all levels of the school system.
2. Provide information to students and parents/guardians about the educational opportunities of the school's instructional program and how to access those opportunities.
3. Provide career information and assessments to inform students and parents/guardians about work and career options available to individual students.^{[4][12]}
4. Provide basic health services required by law for students and provide information to parents/guardians about the health needs of their children.^{[6][7][8][13]}

Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent or designee shall be responsible to develop, implement and monitor a student services plan that complies with state regulations and is available to all students.

The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that all persons delivering student services are specifically licensed or certified as required by law or regulations.^[1]

- Legal
- [1. 22 PA Code 12.41](#)
 - [2. 22 PA Code 4.13](#)
 3. Pol. 100
 4. Pol. 112
 5. Pol. 113
 6. Pol. 209
 7. Pol. 210
 8. Pol. 210.1
 - [9. 22 PA Code 12.42](#)
 - [10. 24 P.S. 1547](#)
 11. Pol. 236
 12. Pol. 115
 13. Pol. 227
 - Pol. 209.1
 - Pol. 235.1
 - Pol. 808