

School Counselors help children by . . .

- Promoting positive attitudes among students toward self, family, peers and community.
- Assisting students in learning how school performance relates to future opportunities.
- Working collaboratively with students, parents and teachers to identify and remove barriers to learning.
- Supporting students by teaching skills for achieving success.
- Helping students to recognize and make the best of their abilities.
- Counseling with students individually and in groups
- Providing support during personal crisis.
- Orienting new students.



Counselors are the heart of the school by

- Helping create a safe school environment where children can learn.
- Working with students on attendance issues.
- Coordinating referrals to outside agencies.
- Helping design interventions to enhance student success.
- Developing community partnerships to enhance student career awareness.
- Helping teachers create a positive learning environment.
- Helping students learn anger management, conflict resolution, and mediation skills.
- Helping parents, teachers, administrators in learning how to meet the needs of all students.



School Counselors Can Help in Many Situations

“My parents are getting a divorce. I don’t know what’s going to happen.”

I’m new here and I’m having trouble making friends.”

“I have a lot of difficulty dealing with my stepchild.”

“Fred scores high on standardized tests but hardly makes passing grades in school.”

“Karen always tells me she doesn’t have homework, but I found out she isn’t doing it.”

“I need some ideas for helping students to get along with each other.”

“Bill hasn’t been himself lately. He seems to be preoccupied with something.”

“I have a bad temper and need to learn how to control it.”

“Mary has been absent from school an awful lot this year.”

“My dad gets so angry when he’s been drinking.”