

## What do students talk about with the school counselor?

- Friendship
- Self Concept
- Decision making/Problem solving
- Understanding others
- Feelings
- Loss
- Protective behaviors/Safety
- Transitions
- Wellness/Self Regulation
- Drug/Alcohol Awareness
- Career Awareness
- Alternative behaviors/Social Skills
- Study Skills
- Peer and Family Relationships
- School Problems
- Conflict Resolution

## How does a student see the counselor individually or in a small group?

- Self referral
- Teacher referral
- Parent referral
- Administrative referral
- Special services referral
- Referral by a friend



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# Elementary School Guidance and Counseling

 Waynesburg Central Elementary School



**Learning and Success for All**

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## Goal of Elementary Guidance Program

The primary goal of the Waynesburg Central Elementary Guidance and Counseling program, is to help all students reach their full potential academically, socially, and emotionally.

In a caring way, we are helping students become aware of their own strengths, weaknesses, interests, values, and feelings. Also, we are striving to help each student to be understanding and accepting of others.



## The Counselor may see students for:

### Classroom Guidance

The counselor will conduct classroom guidance activities throughout the school year. The goal will be to develop an awareness of self, others, and the world around them using Character Education.

### Small Group Counseling

Activities are designed to help students experience self-confidence, friendship, decision making, attitude and behavior changes. Some groups are formed by grade level, and some are formed with students sharing a common concern.

### Individual Counseling

The counselor will work with students who are self-referred, teacher-referred, or parent-referred. No concern is too big or too small to bring to the counselor's office.



## What is an elementary guidance counselor?

- A school person who provides services for all children
- A resource person for all staff members and parents
- A liaison with outside community agencies

## What does the elementary counselor do?

- Conducts monthly classroom guidance activities
- Teaches Social Skills Intervention classes
- Sees children in small groups
- Sees children individually
- Works with parents and staff members
- Works with personnel from community agencies
- Counsels, consults, and coordinates
- Uses a variety of media and techniques
- Gains understanding through observation
- Provides an orientation for new students
- Coordinates the No Bully programs
- Coordinates the Red Ribbon Week activities
- Attends IEP meetings
- Advocates for your child
- Supports families
- And so much more...

Check out WCES guidance webpage to help with Transitions.

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