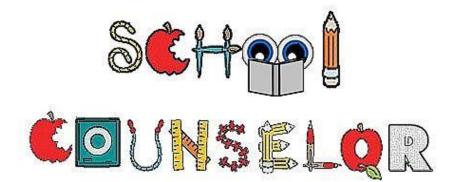
## The role of a...



As your child's School Counselor, my focus is in the following areas: academics, personal/social skills, and careers.

I work with students individually, in small groups, and during classroom guidance lessons to help them acquire the knowledge and skills needed for success in school and life.

<u>Individual counseling</u>: Students can meet with me on an individual basis as needed. This can be requested by the student, teacher, or parent/guardian.

<u>Small group counseling</u>: Some services are provided in smaller groups based upon student needs. Parent/guardian permission is required to participate. Topics include social skills, separation/divorce, grief, anger, friendship, etc.

<u>Classroom guidance</u>: I will meet with each class multiple times throughout the school year. Lessons will be taught following the Delaware Valley School District Classroom Guidance Curriculum.

## <u>School-based teams</u>: I am a member of two school-based teams.

The Instructional Support Team (IST) consists of myself, the principal, the school psychologist, reading specialists, and teachers. It is designed to identify students who are experiencing academic difficulties, and provide support. The Student Assistance Program (SAP) identifies barriers to learning and makes recommendations to students and parents based on the problem. "The things that Make Me different are the things that Make Me." winnie the pooh

## What do student learn in "Guidance Class?"

Students have guidance class once a week for a half hour during the first and third, or second and fourth marking period.

Topics covered throughout the kindergarten, first and second grade curriculum are:

- -Feelings
- -Good Touch/Bad Touch
- -Stranger Awareness
- -Coping Skills
- -Career Development
- -Decision Making
- -Safety
- -Manners
- -Friendship
- -Self-Awareness/
- **Cultivating Uniqueness**
- -Family

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