Direct Services

School Social workers are the line between home, school and community. As members of the educational team comprised of teachers, administrators, pupil services staff and parents, school social workers promote and support students academic and social success by providing specialized services that include crisis prevention and intervention, parent education and training, and professional case management.

School Social Workers help educators to

- Develop and implement plans to enhance student success
- Collaborate with community agencies and organizations
- Identify and report child abuse and neglect situations
- Obtain community resources to meet student needs
- Coordinate services for individual families

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School Social Workers

School Social Workers support parents and families to

- Participate fully in their children’s education
- Identify and meet their children’s social and emotional needs
- Access programs available to students with special needs
- Use school and community resources more effectively
- Work with problems which impact home, school and community that affect their adjustment in school

School Social Workers help students to

- Increase academic success
- Maximize educational opportunities
- Improve attendance
- Remain in school and graduate
- Cope with crisis situations
- Resolve conflicts without violence
- Build self-esteem
- Learn problem-solving and decision making skills
- Develop self discipline

School Social Workers

- Reduce the number of school dropouts
- Develop intervention strategies that prevent school violence
- Help ensure appropriate special education placements
- Facilitate cooperative interagency agreements
- Provide case management services that coordinate service delivery for students with multiple needs
- Provide services at the school wide level to address issues such as behavioral expectations and bullying
- Prepare social histories on children with disabilities

We cannot always build the future for our youth, but we can build our youth for the future

Franklin Delano Roosevelt