

School Based Mental Health Services

There are two school counselors at CLMS who service students based on their last name.

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What are School Based Mental Health Services?

This can mean individual student support, consultations, groups, conferences, mediation, crisis support, referrals to community resources, and so much more.

These include assessment, prevention, intervention, postvention, counseling, consultation, and referral activities and services. These services are essential to a school's ability to ensure a safe and healthy learning environment for all students, address classroom behavior and discipline, promote students' academic success, prevent and respond to crisis, support students' social-emotional needs, identify and respond to a serious mental health problem, and support and partner with at-risk families. Ideally, school-based services dovetail with community-based services so that children and youth receive the support they need in a seamless, coordinated, and comprehensive system of care.

School Based Mental Health Team

Includes the school counselors, social worker, psychologist and nurse. This team meets weekly to discuss students that have been identified with social-emotional or mental health concerns. The team uses data-based decision making to support student mental health through selective and indicated interventions.

The mental health team is the organizing structure for a tiered system of school mental health supports and services. Our team will capitalize on the multi-disciplinary resources within a school and community to achieve the greatest outcomes for students and families.

Please contact your child's school counselor for information.

Our Team Includes:

Tabitha Burke- School Counselor A-K

Betty Lockard-School Counselor L-Z

Jay Carter- School Social Worker

Michele Candiano- School Nurse

Mark Copley- School Psychologist

Why is mental health important to education?

Mental Health is just as critical as physical health for learning and students sometimes need support to maximize their full educational potential.

See the district wellness portal for more information:

https://www.leeschools.net/student_services/mental_health_and_wellness_portal

Mental health is directly related to children's learning and development. It encompasses or intersects with interpersonal relationships, social-emotional skills, behavior, learning, academic motivation, certain disabilities, mental illness, crisis prevention and response, school safety and substance abuse. Each of these issues affects not only the success and well-being of the individual student but also the school climate and outcomes for all students.
