79th Street Elementary School Counseling Plan

PreK-6

Direct Student Services

School Counselor Core Curriculum

 The School Counselor meets monthly with each classroom to teach lessons that will help students be successful in and out of the school environment and provide all students with the knowledge and skills appropriate for their developmental level.

Individual Counseling

 School Counselors meet one on one with students to develop goals and deal with issues that he/she may have so that they can be successful in the classroom.

Group Counseling

 School Counselors work with small groups to address and work on shared or similar needs.

Character Education

• School Counselors will address/teach character education to enhance students' ability to be well-rounded students.

Topics may include but are not limited to:

- Anger management
- Coping skills
- Friendship skills
- Hygiene
- Grief/loss
- Good touch/bad touch
- Internet safety
- Mindfulness
- Social Skills
- Character education
- Career awareness
- Feelings
- Decision making
- Positive choices

- Study/organizational skills
- Bullying
- Dignity Act
- Digital Citizenship
- Self-awareness
- Acceptance of self and others
- Safety

Responsive Services

Individual Counseling

 School Counselors work directly with students, families and support staff on deescalating or dealing with personal issues that arise both in school and in their personal lives that prevent them from being academically and/or socially/emotionally successful.

Small Groups

 School Counselors include all parties that are involved in a crisis to deescalate, foster sharing, differentiate between each other's perceptions, and provide support.

Crisis Response

- School Counselors provide prevention and interventions. This counseling is short term in nature addressing a particular student issue.
- School Counselors, as mandated reporters, will hotline any suspected risk or concern.
- School Counselors will assist with CPS, Law Guardians, Truancy Officers, and other community outside agencies on an as needed basis.
- School Counselors call and work with Crisis Services for students and families that are in crisis.

Home visits

• School counselors, with the assistance of another staff member, will conduct home visits on an as needed basis.

System Support Services

Referrals to and liaisons for Community Agencies

- Refer out for mental health counseling
- Meet with CPS

- Meet with law guardians
- Refer families to agencies for domestic violence, food, clothing, shelter and help
- Work with community agencies in the building ie. Berkshire, Gateway, Focus on Families.
- Work with community agencies outside the building ie. Food Bank, holiday help, and other donations.

Student Support Team Member

- Attend meetings ie. START, support team meetings
- Offer information for referred students as needed

CSE/504 Team Member

- Attend meetings as needed
- Contribute and assist in plan when needed

Attendance Team Member

- Attend meetings
- Share information and data
- Fulfill team duty which could include making phone calls, monitor attendance, send letters, conduct home visits, set up parent meetings, refer to truant officer and facilitate CPS call if necessary

Assist with or create behavior plans

 Assist with creating Tier 2 plan for behavior issues, as needed, using two behaviors and what the desired outcomes would be

Goal 1: Provide students with access to supports that promote positive social-emotional learning and strategies for good mental health.

Target Population: All students Grades Pre-K to 6.

Expected Outcomes:

- Students will understand available resources and how to utilize them.
- Students will learn how to self-monitor, know when to ask for help and work toward solving his/her own problems.
- Students will accept and respect their own uniqueness and others as a result of learning, growth, and individual, group and classroom lessons and meetings.

Evaluation:

- Completion of individual goals.
- Counseling log

- If applicable: increased compliance with Tier 2 behavior plans.
- End of the year district survey.
- Counseling core curriculum lesson calendar with a variety of topics.

PK-6 Completed at all District Elementary Schools

ACTIVITIES	TARGET GROUP/ SUBGROUP	STAFF ASSIGNED	OTHER RESOURCES ASSIGNED	DATES OF ACTIVITY
Meet the counselor ~ Introductory lesson	All students	School Counselors		September
Core Curriculum Classroom lessons	All students	School Counselors	Variety of lessons/ literature, Words of Wisdom on morning announcements, character education	September-June
Individual counseling	IEP students, Students referred (Administration, teacher, parent/ guardian, student)	School Counselors	Gateway Longview	September-June
Small group counseling	IEP students, Students referred (Administration, teacher, parent/ guardian, student)	School Counselors		September -June
Student Support Team Meeting (START)	Referred students	Anyone from the Student Support team (PSA, Psychologist, School Counselor, Social Worker, Principal, Ast Principal, Dean, Nurse, ENL staff)	PEP Coach	September-June
Liaison with outside community and agencies	Students and families in need	School Counselor Social Worker Dean	B.E.S.T., Northpointe council, Social Perspectives,	September-June

			Gateway	
			Longview	
Home Visits	Students in need	School Counselor Dean Classroom Teacher	Truancy Officer	*As Needed
Celebrations	All Students	School Wide Staff	Parents Character Counts, Star Idol, Family Movie Night, Wall of Fame, Announcements, Newsletter, Fun Day	September - June
Conferences	Students in need	Classroom Teacher, Psychologist, Social Worker, School Counselor, Administration	Various staff involved	September-June
Tier 2 Intervention Plans	Students in Need	School Counselor Student Support Team	Teacher, School Psychologist and staff, assessment data	September-June
Promotion of Services Offered & Parental/Guardia n best practices	All Students & School Community	School Counselor, Social Worker, Dean	School Counselor Community based organizations, Open House, Parent/Teacher Conferences	September-June
Character Counts	All Students	All Staff	Teaching monthly traits and and recognizing students who display the trait, name on wall of fame, announcements and newsletter, certificates	September-June

Goal 2: Provide the necessary resources and supports for all students to attend school regularly and to ensure that all students have equitable access to all school programs.

Target Population: All students Grades Pre-K to 6.

Expected Outcomes

- Students and parents/guardians will acknowledge that educational success depends on regular attendance.
- Student attendance rates will improve.
- Success in the classroom and school environment.

Evaluation:

- Student attendance records.
- Increased student participation in school activities both during and after school.
- Counseling core curriculum lesson calendar with a variety of topics.

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ACTIVITIES	TARGET GROUP/	STAFF ASSIGNED	OTHER	DATES OF
	SUBGROUP		RESOURCES	ACTIVITY
			ASSIGNED	
Core Curriculum	All students	School Counselor,	Various	September-June
Classroom lessons		Social Worker		
Family	Students who	Classroom	Phone calls	September-June
Engagement:	miss more than	Teacher	Letters	
Guardian Contacts	10% of school	School Counselor	CPS	
		Social Worker	Home visits	
		PSA	Truancy Officer	
		Administrator	Log	
Attendance Team	All students	Administration,	Various	September-June
Meetings		School		
		Counselors, Social		
		Workers		
		PSA		
Attendance	Students who	School Counselor	All other Student	September-June
Celebrations	meet criteria	Social Worker	Support Team	
			Members, 5 week	
			and 10 week	
			rewards,	
			certificates,	
			names on	
			announcements	
			and in newsletter,	
			name on	
			attendance wall,	
			perfect	
			attendance	
			rewards	
Home Visits	Students in need	Social Worker	Truancy Officer	*As Needed
		School Counselor		
		Dean		

Goal 3: To create a positive learning environment that promotes long-term academic and career success.

Target Population: All students Grades Pre-K to 6.

Expected Outcomes:

- Students in Pre-K to 6 will have the ability to set short and long-term goals.
- Students in grade 6 will have an idea of future career goals.
- Students in grade 6 will be orientated into what they can expect for Prep school.

Evaluation:

- Completion of individual goals for 6th graders.
- Counseling core curriculum lesson calendar with a variety of topics.

PK-6 completed at all elementary schools

ACTIVITIES	TARGET GROUP/ SUBGROUP	STAFF ASSIGNED	OTHER RESOURCES	DATES OF ACTIVITY
			ASSIGNED	
Individual	6 th Graders	School Counselors	Interest	September-
meeting with all			inventory, career	October or as
6 th grade students			zone,	students enter
			social/emotional,	school
			academic goals	
			and workshop	
Individual, Group	All students	School Counselors	Variety of lessons	September-June
or Core			and literature	
Curriculum			around goals,	
Classroom			Interests,	
Lessons			career	
			development,	
			mindfulness,	
			coping strategies,	
			organizational	
			skills, and	
			social skills.	
Transitional	6 th grade students	School Counselors	Prep School	May-June
workshop for 6 th			Counselors and	
graders			Teachers	