



Manheim Township School District

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Dear Parents:

The school counselors of the Manheim Township School District, in cooperation with parents, staff, administration and the community, provide developmental, educational, preventative and responsive services, encouraging and supporting the lifelong development of the personal/social, academic and career growth of each student.

The School Counseling Program includes direct and indirect student services. Indirect services are those provided *for* the students as a way to support student achievement, but do not involve direct interactions with students. Direct services are those that involve direct interactions with students. These services include delivery of the counseling curriculum, individual student planning, and responsive services. The methods of delivery include large group, small group, classroom, and individual interactions.

Group counseling services permit our staff to reach larger numbers of students and, at the same time, empower students to solve problems effectively. Depending upon the needs of students, several different types of groups may be offered during the school year.

Support groups are a valuable resource, and our goal is to be able to offer them to as many students as possible. If your child is invited to participate in a group, you will be contacted and your permission will be requested. If we do not hear from you, we will assume it is permissible for your son or daughter to participate in group counseling. All groups are voluntary. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call your child's school counselor.

Sincerely,

Katherine Setlock, Ed.D.
Director of Pupil Services