

## School counselors, school social workers, and school resource officers

School Counselors are responsible for designing a comprehensive developmental school program. The program domains are academic, career, and social/emotional development. School counselors design programming in alignment with the WV Student Success Standards and American School Counseling Association Mindsets and Behaviors. School counselors provide brief solution-focused counseling to help students manage life stressors, emotions, and behaviors. They also support social emotional learning by providing classroom lessons, collaborating and consulting with teachers to provide specialized classroom interventions, and work with staff to incorporate a positive school climate. School counselors work with parents to provide support and education in hopes of removing barriers to student success. This may be in the form of individual consultations, workshops, and newsletters/social media articles. Other school counselor duties include: crisis intervention, staff training, participation in 504/SAT/IEP meetings, participation in school and county level mental health teams, and attendance monitoring.

School Social Workers provide a vast range of services that offer specialized supports to students, families, and school staff. Social workers focus on the emotional and social well-being of individuals and groups. School social workers use a strength based approach that deals with external factors and how that impacts a person's situation and outlook. School social workers help students cope not only with how they feel about a situation, but provide tools/interventions for problem solving. School social workers are an integral link between school, home, and community and helping students achieve academic and personal success. Some services provided by school social workers include assisting parents access community resources, exploring student mental health concerns, developing positive behavior intervention strategies, encouraging school attendance, conflict resolution, and developing staff and student training. The school social workers are here for everyone. They have diverse skills and bring their knowledge and competencies to Wetzel County Schools to nurture a safe, calm setting for teaching, learning, and student growth while forming healthy connections.

School resource officers (SRO's) are police officers who work in elementary, middle, and high schools. They are responsible for working with school administrators on developing comprehensive safety plans to ensure schools are safe places for students to learn. The school resource officer's responsibilities include developing the best safety procedures for potential threats in the school, conducting drills with students and staff, helping maintaining order, de-escalating aggression of students, and to serve as a safety presence in the building. They also perform classroom lessons to build a connection between law enforcement, students, staff, and the community. These lessons include how to interact with law enforcement, drug awareness/dangers of drugs, and various safety lessons.

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\*\* During the 2020-21 school year, Officers Adams, Bordenkircher, and Bordenkircher will also split their time at New Martinsville School. This is due to both the New Martinsville Police Department and the Wetzel County Sheriff's Office not having enough officers this school year. The Wetzel County Sheriff's Office will supply another school resource officer beginning with the 2021-22 school year.