2025-2026 School Counseling Annual Calendar Ressie Jeffries Elementary School

Month	Direct Student Services	Indirect Student Services	Program Planning and School
	Activities	Activities	Support
Ongoing Services	 Classroom lessons once a month Small group counseling Individual counseling Crisis counseling Mediation between students Attendance buddies Check-in/check-out 	 Request for Assistance meetings Student Support Team Threat Assessment Team PBIS Committee Monthly Specials Team meetings Virtual Virginia contact Collaboration with administration, teachers, student support coaches, social worker and behavior specialist as needed Parent phone calls, emails, dojo messages and meetings as needed 504 and IEP meetings as needed Monthly division school counselors meeting Weekly RJES counselors meeting 	 Dismissal duty Attend professional development Coordinating PBIS and attendance interventions and incentives Collecting, analyzing and disseminating data (attendance, Student Risk Screening Scale, office discipline referrals, grades, etc.)

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August	Class lessons: 1st: Welcome Back, Class Expectations 2nd: Welcome back, Class Expectations 3rd: Class Expectations/What a School Counselor Does 4th: What a School Counselor Does 5th: Blaming vs. Respectful Statements Small Groups: Aug. 25-31: 4th: Jaguar Pals 5th: Jaguar Pals	Aug. 7 - Open house where we are available to talk with parents/guardians and students	Create and publish the annual calendar Develop mindsets and behaviors action plan
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September	Class lessons: K: Meet Your School Counselor, Class Expectations, Learning to Listening 1st: Following Directions & Self-Talk for Learning 2nd: Being Respectful 3rd: Being Successful Learners 4th: Getting to Know the Brain 5th: Solutions and Consequences		Examine and interpret school data Develop student and professional goals for the school year

	Small Groups: Sept. 2-30: 3rd: Attendance Skills 4th: Growth Mindset 4th: Jaguar Pals 5th: Being Healthy 5th: Jaguar Pals Sept. 23-30: 5th: Top Secret Kindness Mission		
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October	Class lessons: K: Focusing Attention & Following Directions 1st: Self-Talk for Calming Down Strong Emotions 2nd: Respecting Different Preferences 3rd: Being an Upstander 4th: Types of Conflict 5th: Effects of Substance Use Small Groups: Oct. 1-16: K: Growth Mindset 1st Listening/Following Directions 2nd: Listening/Following Directions 4th: Growth Mindset 5th: Being Healthy Oct. 13-31: 3rd: Social Skills 4th: Social Skills		National Bullying Prevention Month (create lesson plans) Annual Administrative Conference Oct. 15 – Unity Day (everyone wears orange and announcements) Oct. 23-31 – Red Ribbon Week (create lesson plans, school announcements, spirit week and activities)

	Oct.1-31: K: Jaguar Pals 3rd: Attendance Skills 4th: Jaguar Pals 5th: Jaguar Pals 5th: Top Secret Kindness Mission		
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November	Class lessons: K: Working Together 1st: Accidents Happen 2nd: Showing Compassion 3rd: Being Assertive 4th: Intro to Emotion Management 5th: Disagreeing Respectfully Small Groups: Nov. 1-30: K: Jaguar Pals 3rd: Social Skills 4th: Social Skills 4th: Jaguar Pals 5th: Jaguar Pals 5th: Jaguar Pals 5th: Top Secret Kindness Mission		Nov. 6 at 3:00pm - Advisory Council Meeting
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December	Class lessons: K: Inviting Others to Play 1st: Problem-Solving Part 1 2nd: Managing Embarrassment 3rd: Identifying Others' Feelings		

	4th: Managing Strong Emotions 5th: Prioritization Small Groups: Dec. 1-5: 5th: Top Secret Kindness Mission Dec. 1-19: K: Jaguar Pals 4th: Jaguar Pals 5th: Jaguar Pals		
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January	Class lessons: K: Self-talk for staying on task 1st: Problem-Solving Part 2 2nd: Taking Responsibility 3rd: Understanding Perspective 4th: Calming Down Anger 5th: Career Clusters Small Groups: Jan. 7-30: K: Jaguar Pals 4th: Jaguar Pals 5th: Jaguar Pals		Examine and interpret school data for the second semester
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February	Class lessons: K: Calm down Strong Feelings 1st: Fair Ways to Play 2nd: Problem-Solving		Kindness Month (lesson plans, school announcements, spirit days, challenges and incentives)

	3rd: Accepting Differences 4th: Kindness Escape Room 5th: Empathy and Kindness Small Groups: Feb. 2-27: K: Jaguar Pals 4th: Jaguar Pals 5th: Jaguar Pals		Feb. 3-7 - National School Counseling Week (school announcements, staff emails and activities, and dojo posts) Plan middle school tours for rising 6th graders
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March	Class lessons: K: Career-Guess the Job 1st: Career-Interests & Talents 2nd: Career-When I go up 3rd: Hobbies and Interests 4th: Hobbies and Interests 5th: Career Exploration Small Groups: Mar. 2-27: K: Jaguar Pals 4th: Jaguar Pals 5th: Jaguar Pals		Attend middle school tours for rising 6th graders Career March Madness (display bracket, ballots, career facts)
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April	Class lessons: K: Handling Waiting 1st: Fair Ways to Play 2nd: Managing Anxious Feelings 3rd: Study & Test-Taking Strategies 4th: Emotion Management Wrap-up		Apr. 23 at 3:00pm - Advisory Council Meeting

	5th: Transitioning to Middle School Small Groups: Apr. 1-30: K: Jaguar Pals 4th: Jaguar Pals 5th: Jaguar Pals		
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May			