

Welcome to Austintown Elementary School!!!!



WHEN DO CHILDREN NEED TO SEE THE SCHOOL COUNSELOR???

The school experience may be a new thing for some of you and can be a difficult transition for children. Most of the time it is easy to know when a child may need some extra support and guidance from an adult, other times, it may not. Sometimes it is challenging to know when a child may be sad, worried or scared and asking in a non-verbal way for support and guidance. At times, a child may need more than a parent or guardian can provide at a particular time and can possibly benefit from seeing the school counselor.

When Children May Benefit From the School Counselor.....

Children may need counseling when they are:

- Displaying unusual or uncharacteristic behavior.
- Showing extreme sensitivity.
- Having peer issues
- Very upset when they make a mistake.
- Acting much older or younger than their age.
- Having ongoing difficulty eating or sleeping.
- Experiencing/or have experienced a trauma such as divorce of parents, death, abuse, or they begin to have persistent behavior problems.
- Displaying unusual defiance or aggressiveness.
- Consistently lying or stealing.
- Repeatedly getting into trouble at school or with the law.
- Frequently and purposefully destructive to people, property, or animals.
- Generally depressed or withdrawn.
- Having very low self esteem.
- Behaving self destructively or expressing self harm or self injurious wishes.

If at any times you have any questions or believe your child could benefit from a visit with the school counselor, please give us a call at the school. We also are available to meet with you or discuss any information or resources that you may need!

Thank You and Welcome to AES!

Mrs. Mills & Mrs. Sheely
Austintown Elementary School Counselors