

Preble County ESC Alternative School AAT Concerns Slip

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Brent Krumdiack, School Counselor

Oakley, School Therapy Dog

Dear Parent or Guardian,

The school counseling department of Preble County ESC Alternative School is excited to announce the addition of a new counselor. His name is Thorin Oakenshield, or "Oakley" for short. He is a 4-year-old boxer/lab mix. Mr. K and Oakley are a Certified Animal-Assisted Therapy (AAT) team, trained through Dogtors University. Starting after winter break, Oakley will be working a few days each week. He is trained to provide calm with students that are anxious, support when students are sad or upset, support for classroom guidance lessons, and provides a valuable connection with students that may be apprehensive about discussing problems with a human counselor. If you would like additional information about the program, there is a presentation that you may view at: <https://bit.ly/2E5Nlbs>

If you have any additional questions about Oakley's position or how he will be used, please don't hesitate to call or email Mr. K.

Please indicate below any concerns you may have regarding your student interacting with a therapy dog. Your student will NOT be able to interact with Oakley without a returned Concerns Slip.

PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN WITH YOUR STUDENT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Mark only the choices that apply to your student:

- ☐ My child isn't afraid of dogs.
- ☐ My child is slightly/moderately afraid of dogs.
- ☐ My child is extremely afraid of dogs.
- ☐ My child has no known allergies to dogs.
- ☐ My child is slightly/moderately allergic to dogs.
- ☐ My child is extremely allergic to dogs.



Please explain precautions we should take for your student regarding dog allergies or fears:

_____ Student Name	_____ Parent Signature	_____ Date
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