



## Morrisville Elementary Year-Round Elementary Student Support Team

Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

We are very excited to welcome all of our students for this school year! The Student Support Services (SSS) Team at MES consists of our school counselors, Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Hudson; school psychologist, Mrs. Guastafeste; and school social worker, Ms. Howell. All Student Support Service team members are happy to support all students at MES. We would like to share some resources that we will be providing students.

1. **Classroom Guidance Lessons:** For all grade levels, Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Hudson will be teaching guidance as part of specials 2-3 times a quarter on various topics such as kindness, social skills, feelings, coping strategies, and much more!
2. **Individual Counseling:** If your child's classroom teacher feels your child needs to see the school counselor, school psychologist, and/or school social worker, the teacher will contact us to speak to your child. If your child makes a self-referral, meaning they choose to speak with someone on the SSS themselves, we will only contact you if there is a concerning, recurring issue, or an issue that affects your child's safety and well-being. If you would like for us to meet with your child individually structured scheduled counseling sessions, please contact us at the information below to complete a counseling and/or check-in referral form.
3. **Small groups and lunch groups:** Small groups will be run by the school counselors, Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Hudson. These groups will focus on social skill topics identified by the student's teacher and/or parents as the area of need. Additionally, lunch groups are run by any Student Support Team member who may meet with a group of students during your child's lunch time to help build social skills and relationships with other peers. If you would like for us to meet with your child in a small group setting, please contact us at the information below to complete a small group and/or lunch group referral form.
4. **Basic Needs:** If your family is in need of any school supplies, food, clothing, housing, parenting classes, medical needs, etc. Ms. Howell, our school social worker, is happy to assist in providing you with resources. Her contact information is listed below.

### ***How to communicate with your Student Support Team:***

Communication between school counselors, psychologists, social workers, and families is vital to your child's success and wellbeing at school. If you have a concern about your child, you may call, email, and/or leave a message. We will respond to your message as soon as we can. If you have any questions about our Student Support Services team, please call or visit the student support service website at <https://sites.google.com/view/mes-student-services/home> for updated information. We look forward to a successful school year with your child here at MES.

*Sincerely,*

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