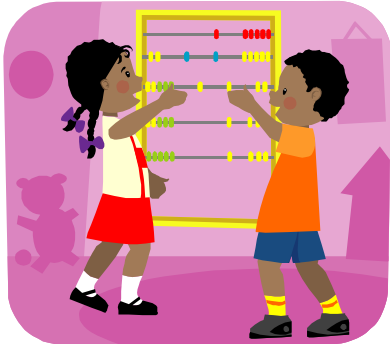


Elementary School Counselors

- Have an M.S. or M. Ed. In School Counseling and are certified by the state of North Dakota.
- Respect and protect confidentiality.
- Work with parents and school staff as a team to address specific student needs.



Counselors believe ...

- in serving all students.
- that each child is unique and important.
- the school, family, and community work as a team to help our children grow and learn.

Mrs. Schutt is available from
9 a.m.-2 p.m. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays
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Oak Grove Elementary School Counseling Program

Mrs. Kelly Schutt, M.Ed.

Elementary School Counselor

Elementary Counselors Work with Students in the following ways:

Classroom Guidance lessons

Lessons are taught throughout the year in each classroom on a variety of topics, such as friendship, conflict resolution, character traits and many others.

Individual meetings

Students are encouraged to contact and meet individually with their counselor about concerns, worries or problems they are experiencing. Through this process, children acquire information and skills that enable them to accept, solve and deal with feelings common to all students and families. All visits are kept confidential, and parents are immediately notified about major issues or concerns.

Small Group Sessions

Students will have the opportunity to be involved in friendship groups throughout the year. We will generally work on friendship issues and social skills, but other topics could be discussed as the need arises.

Counselors work with the school community to:

- Help create a positive school climate in which children can learn.
- Assure a coordinated team effort to address the needs of all students.
- Help ensure student access to school and community resources.



When may a student see the counselor?

- When the counselor visits classrooms.
- When the student is referred by a teacher or other staff.
- When a parent asks for their child to work together with the counselor on a special concern.
- When the counselor asks.
- When the student asks.

Some reasons to see the counselor include...

- Friendship Concerns
- Anger Management

Family Changes

- Grief/Loss Issues
- Social Skills
- Coping Skills
- Self-Esteem
- Decision Making
- Just to Talk



PLEASE NOTE THAT COUNSELING IN THE SCHOOL SETTING MUST BE BRIEF IN NATURE. THE SCHOOL COUNSELOR IS AVAILABLE TO COORDINATE A REFERRAL TO A COMMUNITY AGENCY IF ADDITIONAL COUNSELING IS NEEDED OR DESIRED.