## Agency Contacts

Child Abuse/ Childline

1-800-932-0313

**Domestic Violence** 

1-800-852-2102

**National Runaway** 

1-800-621-4000

**PA Crime Stoppers** 

**1-800-4PA-TIPS** 

**Rape Crisis** 

1-800-654-1211

**Underage Drinking** 

1-888-863-3721

Tapline

1-800-222-9016

CMSU

570-275-4962

Children and Youth 570-374-4570



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### **TEAM MEMBERS**

Judy Fatchaline, Counselor GD 3, 4 Rebecca Schaffer-Neitz, Counselor GD 5 Angela Hartman, School Nurse Tosha Varner, Grade 3 Teacher Taylor Montesinos, Grade 4 Teacher Colton Moyer, Grade 4 Teacher Brett Arnold, Grade 5 Teacher Lisa Whitford, Grade 5 Teacher Cheryl Shellenberger, Music Teacher Justin Dively, School Psychologist Barbara Hayes, School Psychologist Mallory Pope, Behavior Specialist Tonya Hatter, School Social Worker Matthew N. Conrad, Principal Jason R. Schmucker, Asst. Principal

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**Contacting the ESAP Team** If you feel a child may need help, call the school and ask to speak with a member of the ESAP team. Someone will be there to help!

The Pennsylvania Department of Education requires every school district to have a Student Assistance Program. For more information visit www.sap.state.pa.us.

### Selinsgrove Area Intermediate School



Assistance

Program



## What is Elementary Student Assistance Program (ESAP)?

The purpose of ESAP is to identify and assist students who experience "barriers to learning", that not only interfere with their educational performance, but their physical, social, and emotional functioning as well. The ESAP team is made up of trained school and agency staff. Our goal is to help students succeed in school. ESAP is NOT a treatment program; rather, its objective is to identify at-risk students that may then be able to access appropriate in-school supports or community services. We do not diagnose, treat. or refer children for treatment. We will provide parents or guardians with information; parents make the decisions. We cannot assist children without parent/guardian permission. Remember, parents are an important part of our team! Our goal is to help children succeed in school.

#### PRIVACY

The ESAP team and the school will respect the privacy of children and their families at all times.

# When Should a Student Be Referred?

Do you see a child showing any of these behaviors?

\*engaging in self-injury

\*unexplained physical injuries

\*experimenting with alcohol or other drugs

\*defying authority at home or school

\*sudden drop in grades or attendance

\*lying and/or stealing

\*needing money without an explanation

\*acting aggressively

\*withdrawing from family, friends, or school or changing friendship groups

\*feeling depressed or overwhelmed

\*talking or thinking about suicide

\*having coping difficulties

\*grieving over the loss of a loved one

\*dealing with major family changes, such as a divorce or moving

\*suffering from an eating disorder

If the answer to any of these questions is "yes" or you are worried about someone, you should consider making a referral to the ESAP team.

#### How is a Student Referred to ESAP?

Upon receiving a referral, a team member is assigned who contacts the student's parent/guardian to obtain permission to begin the process. The Team will NOT become involved unless permission is obtained.

## What Happens After Permission is Obtained?

1. The ESAP team will gather objective information about your child's performance in school from all the school staff who have contact with your child. This may include academic performance, classroom behaviors, attendance and discipline records and other objective or significant data. An ESAP team member will also talk with you about your observations, your child's strengths, and your concerns. The data collected remains confidential within the team.

2. Together, you and the ESAP team will develop a plan of action to help your child achieve success in school. The plan might include services and activities in school and/or services from a community agency. If necessary, the ESAP team will talk with you about services in the community and give you information on how to contact others who may be able to help.

3. The ESAP team will continue to work with and support your child. At your request, they will stay in touch with you to talk about your child's success in school. Your continued involvement is very important!