

So what does a 5th and 6th grade counselor do anyway????

Answer: A lot!

Greetings! My name is Mrs. Hofmann and I would like to let you know a little bit about the guidance program and my role as a guidance counselor at Mercer County Intermediate.

Traditionally, counselors are responsible for helping kids with registration and scheduling. While this is a very important part of my job, there are other duties that I am responsible for as well.

Each month, I am in every classroom doing guidance lessons. A comprehensive guidance curriculum covers three domains; social emotional, academics, and career/vocational education. The hope is to be proactive in nature and this also gives me an opportunity to know and work with every student.

Another part of my job is that I meet with students individually. Students may ask to come in and talk with me, they may be referred by a teacher or other staff member, or it may be a parent request.

As needs arise, I run small group sessions in the areas of social skills, family changes, and anger management. I also consult with teachers, parents, and school personnel.

I enjoy talking with parents. Please feel free to contact me. I work Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

Looking forward to a great year!

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