

### Levi P. Dodge Middle School Counseling Program

Why Middle School Counselors?

To help ensure that students are prepared to become the next generation of parents, workers, leaders, and citizens, every student needs support, guidance, and opportunities during adolescence, a time of rapid growth and change.

Simply put, our job is to help students be successful in school.

Through a comprehensive developmental school counseling program, counselors work as a team member with school staff, parents, and the community to create a caring, supportive climate and atmosphere whereby young adolescents can achieve academic success.

School counselors align with the school mission to support the academic achievement of <u>all</u> students—the mission is accomplished through the design, development, and implementation of a comprehensive developmental school counseling program.

#### School Guidance Curriculum

- Academic skill support
- Coping strategies
- Peer relationships and effective social skills
- Communication, problemsolving, decision-making and conflict resolution
- Career awareness, exploration and planning

#### At DMS:

- Classroom lessons (emotions, bullying, depression, grief and loss, suicide prevention, cyberbullying, internet safety, and digital footprints)
- College and Career Readiness (EXPLORE, MCIS Jr., interest inventories, Career Fair)
- Individual student meetings
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#### Individual Student Planning

- Goal setting / decisionmaking
- Academic planning
- Career planning
- Education and understanding self including strengths and weaknesses
- Transition planning

#### At DMS:

- 8th Grade Seminars
- EXPLORE
- MCIS |r.
- One-on-one student meetings
- I-Team
- Academic Interventions

#### Responsive Services

- Individual and small group counseling
- Individual / family / school crisis intervention
- Peer facilitation
- Consultation / Collaboration
- Referrals

#### At DMS

- Group counseling (ADHD, anger management, grief and loss, family change, girls' group, boys' group)
- Parent consultation
- Resource referrals
- Crisis management

#### System Support

- Professional development
- Consultation / Collaboration and teaming
- Program management and operation

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- Teacher consultations
- Team meetings
- Data-driven program development
- ASCA National School Counselor Standards

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