

FLEMING COUNTY SCHOOLS



Student Support Services

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| <p><u>Guidance Counseling Services</u></p> | <p>Each Fleming County School has guidance counseling services. Guidance Counselors provide individual student support counseling, parent support counseling and referrals to community agencies. Elementary school services include guidance classroom instruction. By the middle and high school levels, these services expand to include career and post-secondary educational counseling. Any time a parent has a concern related to the educational, social or emotional well-being of their child, please contact the school guidance counselor.</p> | <p>FCHS – Ashley Fritz & Sandra Cornette</p> <p>SMS – Kim Perkins</p> <p>FES – Tammy Cowan</p> <p>Ewing, Ward & Hillsboro – Natalie Leet</p> <p>District Contact – Melissa James</p> |
| <p><u>Family Resource & Youth Service Centers</u></p> | <p>Family Resource Centers serve children through twelve years of age, while Youth Service Centers serve children over twelve years of age. The centers serve to enhance students' abilities to succeed in school by assisting children youth, and families in meeting basic needs. Direct services may be provided through the center or the centers may link students and families to other community resources. The Fleming County School District currently operates 3 centers serving 6 schools.</p> | <p>FCHS & SMS YOUTH SERVICE CENTER Mendy High – Coordinator Jennifer Paige – Ass't. Coordinator</p> <p>FAMILY FOCUS RESOUCE CENTER Flemingsburg & Ewing Elem. Johna Bacon – Coordinator Kara Mitchell – Ass't. Coordinator</p> <p>HILLSBORO – WARD RESOURCE CENTER Candy Dales – Coordinator</p> <p>Melissa James – District Contact</p> |

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| <p><u>Volunteers</u></p> | <p>Parent volunteers or those from community partners, are welcome in Fleming County Schools. Any school volunteer who will be in the school regularly or will be involved in field trips or overnight supervision must have an approved criminal record check. School secretaries or FRYSC staff can help with the process of background checks. Access a volunteer application form HERE.</p> | <p>School Secretaries FRYSC Staff Angela Hughes – District contact</p> |
| <p><u>Health Services</u></p> | <p>Each Fleming County School has nursing services available. Meeting health requirements for school attendance is an important part of making sure your child is ready for school. These requirements provide the assurance that your child is not only up-to-date on immunizations, but also that he/she is healthy enough to attend school. If you have additional question or concerns, contact your child’s school nurse, the District Health Coordinator, or click HERE.</p> | <p>Jennie Applegate, RN District Health Coordinator FCHS Stacey Humphries, LPN FES & SMS Kara Mitchell, LPN Ewing Elem. Robin Hamilton, LPN Ward & Hillsboro Elem.</p> |
| <p><u>Crisis & Response Team</u></p> | <p>This district team is comprised of school guidance counselors, school based therapists, and nurses. This team provides short term crisis management and intervention for schools experiencing crisis due to death, disaster, a critical incidence, etc. When needed, the team may seek the services of outside agencies, either onsite or through a referral process.</p> | <p>Greg Emmons - Safe Schools Coordinator</p> |
| <p><u>School Based Mental Health Services</u></p> | <p>In addition to school guidance counselors, Fleming County Schools contract with Comprehend, Inc. to provide mental health counseling services on school campuses. The school-based therapists are specially trained in school system functioning and learning, as well as how students’ behavior and mental health impact their ability to be successful in school. Contact your child’s school to find out more about School Based Mental Health Services.</p> | <p>School Guidance Counselors Melissa James - District Contact</p> |
| <p><u>Attendance Intervention</u></p> | <p>Not only is school attendance necessary for students to learn and progress, it is the law! Fleming County Schools have</p> | <p>Carol Thompson – DPP</p> |

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| | <p>consistently maintained an above average attendance rate for the past several years, which we attribute to the diligent efforts of all stakeholders - administrators, teachers, school staff, and most importantly, the parents.</p> <p>Fleming County Schools have in place attendance intervention initiatives to assist students and families in addressing barriers that may be hindering school attendance. Please click HERE to view School Level Attendance Intervention Procedures.</p> <p>While school attendance is necessary for student success, we do realize students need to be absent for doctor appointments, family emergencies, and other events. Fleming County Schools want to work with families and the students in helping during times when students must miss school. Our goal is to assist and offer guidance on the various programs available to students and parents during extreme emergencies and extended illnesses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kentucky state law allows students to miss up to 10 days of school while pursuing an Educational Enhancement Opportunity of significant educational value as determined by the principal. Read more about FCS EHO Procedures HERE. Access EHO application HERE. • Home-Hospital instruction is for students who cannot attend school for extended periods because of illness, injuries, or chronically recurring physical or mental conditions as verified by a licensed professional. Students are expected to be out of school five or more school days. Access H-H application HERE. | <p>Angie Jackson – Student Services Liaison Kim Hester – Homebound Instructor</p> <p>School Attendance Clerks Jennifer Andrews – FCHS Cheryl Roberts – SMS Tina Fearin/Janice Littleton – FES Anne DeAtley – Ewing Lisa Newsom – Ward Pam Trent - Hillsboro</p> |
| <p><u>Gifted Education</u></p> | <p>Fleming County Schools offer gifted education services for identified students across all grade levels. Primary students are screened and selected as high potential learners and</p> | <p>Lesia Eldridge – District Coordinator Allison Manning – G/T Instructor</p> |

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| | <p>students in grades 4-12 are formally identified for services in one or more of the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • General intellectual aptitude • Specific academic aptitude • Creative or divergent thinking • Leadership skills • Visual or performing arts <p>Access the Gifted/Talented Education Handbook HERE.</p> | Deborah Ishmael – G/T Instructor |
| <u>English Language Learners</u> | <p>Title III is a federal program which ensures that English Learners, including immigrant children and youth, develop English proficiency and meet the same academic content and achievement standards that other children are expected to meet. Fleming County Schools employ a paraprofessional to provide services to ELL students.</p> | <p>Lesia Eldridge – District Coordinator</p> <p>School Guidance Counselors</p> <p>Lydia Smith - Tutor</p> |
| <u>School Safety Initiatives</u> | <p>Fleming County Schools are committed to ensuring that our schools provide a safe and orderly environment in which teaching and learning take place each day. Safe, supportive school environments depend on students, staff and parents demonstrating mutual respect.</p> <p>The district coordinator coordinates safety and emergency procedures planning with interagency partners to provide support and leadership for schools and offices in case there are emergencies.</p> <p>A printed Emergency Response Resource Pamphlet is available as guidance to schools and staff with procedures listed to follow in case of an emergency, such as tornado, fire, bomb threat, etc.</p> <p>Each school has buzzer entry systems so that every visitor has to be granted access to the building.</p> <p>Sign-in and sign-out procedures are also in place at each school to track visitors to the building.</p> | <p>Greg Emmons – Safe Schools Coordinator</p> <p>School Principals</p> <p>School Receptionists</p> |
| <u>Special Education</u> | <p>Fleming County Schools offer Special Education services at each of their six schools. The purpose of the Special Education program is to provide a free appropriate public education to all students meeting eligibility guidelines. Click HERE for KY regulations regarding Special Education.</p> | Melissa James – Director of Special Ed |

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| | Click HERE for FCS Policies & Procedures regarding Special Education | |
| <u>Preschool Services</u> | Fleming County Schools offer Preschool services to three and four year olds meeting eligibility requirements. These services are provided through a contract with Licking Valley Head Start. Related Services and a Special Education teacher are provided by FCS to provide services for those eligible students at Head Start. | Melissa James – Preschool Coordinator |
| <u>Student Advocacy Program</u> | Each school has in place an advocacy program designed to build student-teacher relationships. Students may be assigned to, or choose, a staff member to be an advisor to them. Meeting times vary by school. Regardless of the selection and meeting procedures, which vary by school, the ultimate goal of any advocacy plan is to ensure that all students in the building have a relationship with an adult in the building who may or may not be a teacher they have daily. This advisor can assist them if they need help beyond academics. Advocacy Plans for individual schools are available by accessing the links to the right. | School Principals & Ass’t Principals School Guidance Counselors All Staff Ewing Elem. Advocacy Plan Flemingsburg Elem. Advocacy Plan E.P. Ward Elem. Advocacy Plan Hillsboro Elem. Advocacy Plan SMS Advocacy Plan FCHS Advocacy Plan |
| <u>Extended School Services</u> | The Extended School Services (ESS) program is a proactive program designed to assist individual students who are having difficulty in one or more content area. ESS funds are allocated to each school for operating programs for students having short or long-term academic difficulties. Many schools offer daytime ESS while others provide ESS after school hours. | Denise Brown – ESS Coordinator School Principals |
| <u>Migrant Education</u> | The Migrant Education Program is a federally funded program which provides supplemental education and support services to eligible children between 3 - 21 years of age. Qualification for the program is based on intent to seek seasonal or temporary agricultural employment by the parent or guardian. Families also must be new to the school district within the past three years. Identification and eligibility for this program is completed by staff from the Kentucky Educational Development Corporation. | KEDC Ashland office Phone: (606) 928-0205 Lexington office Phone: 859-255-6411 Lesia Eldridge – District Contact |

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| | <p>Families and students identified as migratory are eligible to receive additional support services including assistance with school work, Migrant summer school, books and school materials, assistance with interpretation and translation services in order to better participate in our school system, and some assistance with medical and dental services.</p> | |
| <p><u>Psychological Evaluations</u></p> | <p>Fleming County Schools offer comprehensive psychoeducational evaluation services to students who may be in need of extra services, such as intervention or acceleration, based on a referral process.</p> <p>Comprehensive psychoeducational evaluations identify areas of strength and need across cognitive, executive, academic, social/emotional and behavioral domains. This results in a diagnosis, instructional recommendations, and planning future educational programming. This is accomplished through interviews, consultations, records review, observations, and the administration of standardized assessments and rating scales.</p> <p>While most of the evaluations are conducted by the trained staff of FCS, the cognitive assessments are contracted out and conducted by the staff of Amend Psychological Services, who come to our district to perform their evaluations.</p> | <p>Melissa James – Director of Special Education</p> <p>Lesia Eldridge – G/T District Coordinator</p> |
| <p><u>Bullying Prevention</u></p> | <p>Fleming Co. Schools are committed to providing all students with a safe and supportive learning environment. Every child is entitled to feel safe in the classroom, in the hallway and on playgrounds and buses. Bullying, verbal harassment, and cyber-bullying interfere with a student's ability to learn. All of us, teachers, administrators, students and parents, must work together to eliminate unacceptable bullying and harassing behavior. Anti-bullying classes may be presented in the elementary schools, and student, parents or teachers have the opportunity to anonymously report bullying by clicking this link which is also accessible on the FCS home</p> | <p>Greg Emmons – Safe Schools Coordinator</p> <p>School Principals</p> <p>School Counselors</p> <p>FRYSC staff</p> |

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| | <p>page. Each report will be addressed by school administrators.</p> | |
| <p><u>CWTP</u></p> | <p>The Community Work Transition Program (CWTP) is a collaborative effort between participating local school districts, the Kentucky Department of Education (KDE), Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR), and the Human Development Institute at the University of Kentucky (HDI).</p> <p>The CWTP is designed to provide a positive beginning in the world of work for students in special education during their last two years of high school. The goal for the CWTP is for students with disabilities to graduate from high school with positive employment outcomes, working in an integrated work setting with competitive pay.</p> <p>To read more about the CWTP, click HERE.</p> | <p>Wilma Lee – Employment Specialist Fleming Co. High School</p> <p>Melissa James – District Contact</p> |