

# School and Community Liaison Services

School/Community Liaisons are a team of social service professionals working in all the school districts of Ashland County. The goals of these services include increasing school attendance, enhancing the coping skills of children, responding immediately to daily crises in the schools, increasing partnerships between families and schools, and helping to provide easier access to community supports.



## About Our Funding

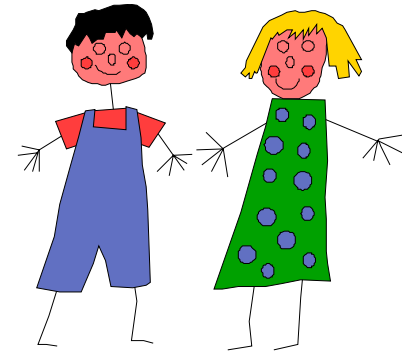
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Community Connected"

## What We Do

We strengthen the capacity of families to support children's learning by forging strong home/school/community partnerships to help remove any and all barriers that interfere with educational achievement.

*Liaisons keep children in school.* We work with parents to encourage consistent attendance at school. Sometimes a call home or a personal visit can resolve problems with unexcused absences or tardiness before they become habits.

We enhance children's readiness to learn.

*Liaisons know resources.* We link students and families with the necessary resources which will assist them in dealing with the social, emotional, medical, economic, and/or any other community barriers that may be interfering with learning.

We encourage parents to be active partners in their children's school experiences.

*Liaisons engage families.* When families are involved in school activities- attending parent/teacher conferences, assisting the PTO, participating in family programs- children learn that education is important in their lives.

We promote healthy personal development. We instill hope and teach life skills.



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## Schools We Serve

Ashland City Schools  
Ashland County/West Holmes Career Center  
Dale Roy Training Center  
Hillsdale Schools  
Loudonville/Perrysville Schools  
Mapleton Schools



## Services We Provide

Brief assessments to identify needs and assets  
Linkage to school and community resources  
Collaboration and consultation with school staff  
Crisis intervention and debriefing  
Interventions to teach healthy life skill development  
Family outreach, education, and home visits  
Daily presence in schools and summer programs  
Promote resilience in families  
Partnerships with community resources

## How to Contact us

Referrals come from principals, guidance counselors, teachers, intervention teams, student self-referral, parents, and/or community agencies to the appropriate School/Community Liaison. Liaisons can be contacted through their respective schools. You can also contact Stacy Olgee, Coordinator of the program, at 419-281-7939.

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*"The liaison helped me get on track with getting my homework done. I'm getting better grades now." -- student*

*"The liaison gave my daughter someone to talk to that knows how to teach her to deal with her feelings". --parent*

*"The liaison provides a critical link between home and school. The liaison works well with students, parents, and staff, and is an asset to our district"- administrator*

*"We were new to the area and had many needs. We would have truly suffered without the liaison's help." --parent*

*"I feel that the services the liaisons are providing are essential in our school system today. The knowledge they provide about services which are available in the community and the contacts they make assures me that more children and families are having their needs met."--teacher*



## Partnerships

The Mental Health and Recovery Board of Ashland County has partnered with the Ashland County Public School Districts, Appleseed Community Mental Health Center, and Catholic Charities Services of Ashland County to provide these services to children throughout the county.