

Student Support Services Staff Overview 2011-2012

College and Career Access Coordinator

Jake Garin (Unity)

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The College and Career Access Coordinator provides resources for students to be successful in future plans. He helps students to:

- Fill out college or job applications
- Write resumes
- Find and apply for scholarships
- Connect with tutors for homework /test prep

Health Advocacy Coordinator

Rachel Zucker (all sites)

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The Health Advocacy Coordinator connects students and their families to local health care resources. She helps students to:

- Find local medical, dental and vision care
- Learn about pertinent health-related topics
- Connect with Medical Assistance

Food Program Coordinator

Brian Kindig (all sites)

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The Food Program Coordinator ensures that students receive nutritious meals at school. He helps students and the school to:

- Access healthy lunches prepared with fresh ingredients
- Manage donations from community partners
- Comply with state and federal regulations

Director of Student Support Services

Amy Libman (all sites)

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The Director supervises Student Support Services staff and volunteers. She also works to form partnerships with local organizations.

School Social Workers

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Nancy Burkhardt (Unity)

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The School Social Workers listen to, support, and provide advice and resources to students. They help students experiencing a variety of issues to:

- Provide support to keep students in school (Truancy)
- Cope with grief and loss
- Handle pregnancy and parenting
- Work through difficult emotions such as anger and depression
- Achieve success through Special Education support

Homeless Liaison

Samone Derks (all sites)

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The Homeless Liaison monitors homeless students while connecting them to local resources. She helps students to:

- Find and register for affordable housing
- Overcome external barriers to attending school