



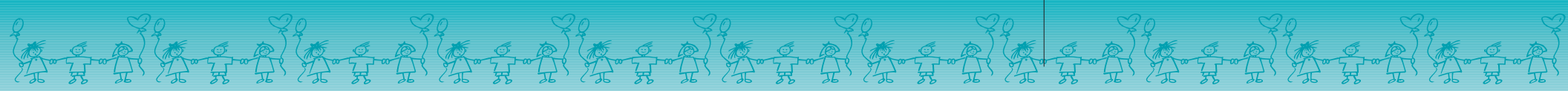
# SOCIAL WORK SERVICES



**STUDENT SERVICES DEPARTMENT**



*Peterborough Victoria  
Northumberland and Clarington  
Catholic District School Board*



The Peterborough Victoria Northumberland and Clarington Catholic District School Board is committed to supporting excellence for all students. An important part of this goal is to assist students in all life situations. Various challenges within a student's life can impact his or her ability to learn and be successful. Social Workers can assist students, their families and the school so that education is a positive and rewarding experience.

## Who are Social Workers?





















Social Work Services are provided by Social Workers who are registered with the Ontario College of Social Workers and Social Service Workers. The academic qualifications for School Social Workers range from a Bachelor of Social Work degree (B.S.W.) to a Master of Social Work degree (M.S.W.). They are employed by the Peterborough Victoria Northumberland Clarington Catholic District School Board and are part of the Student Services Department and are directly supervised by the Superintendent of Special Education. Social Workers are assigned geographically to elementary and secondary schools.

## What Do Social Workers Do?

Social Workers focus on the social, behavioural and emotional factors which impede a student's school performance and move quickly with the home school and student towards a timely resolution of the difficulties blocking success. Social Work Services are primarily offered to secondary students. Social Workers are available to respond to students in crisis at the elementary level or to provide case co-ordination of community agencies and consultation to staff. Referrals for elementary schools are generated through School Resource Team (SRT) meetings.














## What Issues Might Social Workers Address?

At the Secondary level, Social Workers can provide counselling support and education on a wide range of topics such as:



-  Anger
-  Anxiety
-  Alcohol and/or Drug Use/Abuse
-  Behavioural Problems
-  Bullying
-  Child Abuse
-  Classroom Problems
-  Communication Difficulties
-  Dating Violence
-  Depression
-  Domestic Violence
-  Family Problems
-  Grief/Loss
-  Mental Health
-  Parenting Questions
-  Peer Relationships
-  Separation/Divorce
-  Self-Esteem
-  Self-Harm
-  Sexuality
-  Stress
-  Suicidal Ideation
-  Tragic Events

## What Services do Social Workers Provide?

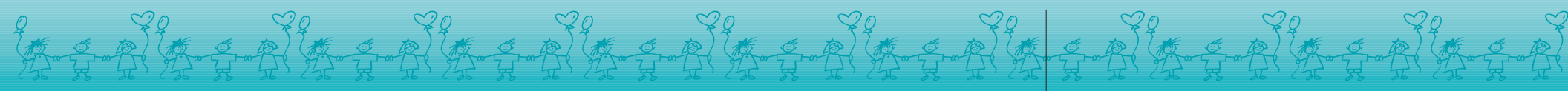
School Social Workers offer a broad range of direct services which may include any or all of the following:

-  Advocacy
-  Agency Liaison
-  Assessment
-  Case Conferences
-  Crisis Intervention
-  Community Development
-  Community Referrals
-  Consultation
-  Family Counselling
-  Group Work
-  Individual Counselling (issue-based)
-  Outreach to Parents
-  Parent Skills
-  Policy Development
-  Prevention Programs
-  Staff Professional Development

## How Can You Access Social Work Services at Secondary Schools?

-  Students or parents may speak to their teacher, guidance counsellor or principal who will arrange for a referral to the Social Worker.
-  A principal may refer a student to the Social Worker for Social Work Services.

**STUDENTS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 REQUIRE PARENTAL CONSENT TO SEE A SOCIAL WORKER**



# Community Agencies

## PETERBOROUGH

Canadian Mental Health Program	(705) 748-6711
Family Counselling Service	(705) 742-4258
Alateen	(705) 745-6111
Kinark Child and Family Services	(705) 742-3803
Peterborough Youth Services	(705) 743-1681
Learning Disabilities Association	(705) 748-9455
Children's Aid Society	(705) 743-9751
Family and Youth Clinic	(705) 876-5114
Tri County Behaviour Services	(705) 876-9245
Children's Case Coordination	(705) 748-9770
Fourcast	(705) 876-1292

## CITY OF KAWARTHA LAKES

Children's Aid Society	(705) 324-3594
Chimo Youth Services	(705) 324-3300
Ontario Early Years Centre	(705) 324-7900
John Howard Society	(705) 328-0472
Children's Services Council	(705) 328-3606
Ross Memorial Hospital	
Community Counselling Services	(705) 878-8900
Fourcast	(705) 878-5547

## NORTHUMBERLAND

Kinark Child and Family Services	
Cobourg	(905) 372-4361
Campbellford	(705) 653-4208
Rebound Youth Services	(905) 372-0007
Children's Aid Society	(905) 372-1821
Children's Case Coordination	(905) 885-4224
Fourcast	(905) 377-9111

## CLARINGTON

Resources for Exceptional Children	(905) 427-8862
Children's Case Coordination	(905) 427-1650
Learning Disabilities Association	(905) 623-1852
Kinark Child and Family Services	(905) 433-0241
Frontenac Youth Services	(905) 579-1551
Catholic Family Services	(905) 725-3513
Children's Aid Society	(905) 433-1551
Durham Behaviour Management	(905) 723-8521

Ontario Works for all four regions  
1-877-272-8610  
1-877-272-8613

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