

# Welcome to the Elementary Student Assistance Program

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

Recently, a team member from our Elementary Student Assistance Program (ESAP) contacted you with concerns regarding your child. Kutztown Area School District's Student Assistance Program team members are trained to identify barriers to learning, determine whether or not the presenting barrier lies within the responsibility of the school, and make recommendations to assist the student and the parent. When the problem lies beyond the scope of the school, the ESAP team will assist the parent and student so they can access services within the community. All members of the team have been professionally trained including school staff and liaisons from community agencies.

### **Student Assistance Team Members:**

Erin Anderson, Principal  
Stephanie Steigerwalt, School Counselor  
Tina Schmeck, School Nurse / Vanessa Sherrer, School Nurse Assistant  
Karen Austin, Instructional Support Teacher  
Melissa Blatt, 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher  
Shawna Oswald, 4th Grade Teacher  
Elizabeth Wessner, 1st Grade Teacher  
Cindy Chmelewski, Community Liaison / Caron Foundation  
Parents/Guardians

You are an integral member of the team and we need your support in order to provide recommendations and interventions for your child. We have enclosed an informational packet to help explain the ESAP process. If you have any further questions or wish to speak with a team member, please call Stephanie Steigerwalt at 610-756-6948.

Please sign and return this paper to your child's school by \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_ Yes, I support the ESAP team. I wish for my child to receive interventions and recommendations in order to link them to in-school and / or community-based services and activities.

\_\_\_\_ No, I do not support the ESAP team. I do not wish for my child to receive interventions and recommendations in order to link them to in-school and / or community-based services and activities.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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