

Warren County School Crisis Response Team

A Free Service to Local School Districts

Each school crisis is unique and even the most comprehensive plans cannot anticipate all possible situations and effects. It is essential for each school to be prepared with intervention protocols and plans for dealing with these events. However, sometimes the level of a crisis requires response which is beyond the capabilities of the school or district staff. This can occur when the school personnel themselves are traumatized or the effects of the crisis are so far-reaching, an adequate response cannot be managed by the school or district team alone.

The Warren County School Crisis Team was developed in 2011 to serve as a resource for local school districts in such times of crisis. The purpose of the team is to augment the school or district team's functions by assisting when added resources are necessary. At the request of the school or district, the team can serve as intervention specialists in the aftermath of a crisis or as collaborating experts when evaluating at-risk youth. All team services will be provided under the direction of designated school or district personnel.

Unique Qualifications of the Team

This multi-disciplinary team is composed of members who have been through a comprehensive application and reference check process, and have completed a background check within the past 12 months. All members are Certified Trauma and Loss Specialists, a designation achieved through extensive training from the National Institute for Trauma and Loss in Children.



Providing Support, Intervention . . .



and Hope.

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*To request emergency deployment, phone
1-877-695-6333 (NEED)*

*Local 24 hour behavioral health crisis line;
Request contact with the
School Crisis Response Team*

*To request non-emergent technical assistance
or case consultation, phone
Kim Sellers, Warren County ESC, 513-695-2900, ext.
2311*

For further details about the Team, see

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Team Member Biographies

Providing a Safe and Caring Environment Following a Traumatic Incident

Available Services

- Technical Assistance in developing school crisis protocols
- Assistance in the aftermath of a crisis, including:
 - Assessing potential impact to school community and planning of interventions
 - Staffing interventions in:
 - Classrooms
 - Safe Rooms
 - Staff Meetings
 - De-Briefing
- Case Consultations when a school desires an independent opinion regarding at-risk students (Threat Assessments)

School/District determines number of team members needed and desired specialty areas

***Just a phone call away. . .
24 hours; 7 days per week***

Shelley Brown, BA, LSW, CDCA: *Prevention Specialist – Warren County Educational Service Center* Shelley has worked with youth in Warren County for over 20 years. Her specialty is substance abuse prevention and working with families involved in the court system.

Jane Groh, MSW, LISW-S: *Director of Prevention Services – Solutions Community Counseling and Recovery Centers* Jane has worked as a clinical social worker for 24 years. Her specialty is crisis intervention and counseling individuals with mental health needs.

Vycki Haight, MSW, LSW: *Project AWARE Grant Coordinator, Warren County ESC* Vycki has worked with children and their families for the last 20 years to provide necessary resources for students to become successful. Her area of expertise is crisis intervention and conflict resolution. Vycki now coordinates the Project AWARE grant, which provides Youth Mental Health First Aid Training in our county.

Jason Norman, Masters of Theology: *Lead Pastor, Real Life Church* As an accomplished teacher and keynote speaker, Jason serves as a certified *John Maxwell Coach*, mentoring startups and encouraging seasoned business professionals. Prior to serving in ministry for the past two decades, Jason served as a Resident Advisor at a residential treatment center. He has implemented a student-mentoring program, positively impacting inner-city schools.

Kim Sellers, MSW, LISW-S, CTS: *Director of Coordinated Care – Warren County Educational Service Center* Kim has worked with youth and families of Warren County for over 20 years. Her specialty is working with adolescents who have experienced trauma and those who self-harm. Kim obtained her *School Suicide Prevention Specialist Accreditation* in Nov. 2011.

Syndra Snelling, Masters in Pupil Services: School Counseling: *Guidance Counselor – Lebanon High School* Syndra has worked with youth at risk academically and emotionally for the past decade. Her specialty is working with high school age youth.

Robert Taliaferro, BA: *Probation Officer, Warren County Juvenile Court* Robert has worked with juveniles and families in Warren County for over 10 years. He works with the Juvenile Court's truancy department, serving as a liaison between the court and schools. He previously worked as a therapist for the Mary Haven Youth Center.

Detailed Biographies available at:
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