

## **ROLE AND FUNCTION OF SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGIST**

The role of the school psychologist is to support and assist school staffs in meeting the overall objectives of the Division and the needs of individual students. In fulfilling this role the school psychologist works under the supervision of the Co-ordinator of Student Services and in consultation with parents and school staff members. The duties of the psychologist would include but not be restricted to the following:

- a) on referral, to provide individual student assessments through psychometric measurement and through classroom observation.
- b) to relay and interpret the results of these assessments to others (including parents) working with the child.
- c) to participate with school teams in planning programs for individual students and to participate in follow up discussions to evaluate or alter these plans.
- d) to provide a written report of assessment observations, results and recommendations, for the students cumulative file.
- e) counselling of students and parents.
- f) maintaining his/her level of professional expertise through in-service and meetings with professional colleagues.

A referral to the school psychologist can be initiated by any professional staff member with approval from the school principal. Referrals should be submitted to the Co-ordinator of Student Services on forms provided by the Division.

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