

Student Assistance Services Principal Perspectives

What School Principals say they value most about Rhode Island Student Assistance Services:

North Kingstown High School benefits from the Student Assistance Services provided by RISAS. We are a suburban community and often resources may be difficult to receive due to location of where they are located. We are fortunate to have a resource right here in our building who can meet with a student or provide resources to families, teachers and staff to help create a better space to learn and grow.

Denise Mancieri, North Kingstown High School

The Student Assistance Counselor has strong ability to connect to our students and a willingness to be involved in all aspects of student support. Her ability to help families reach out to outside agencies is invaluable.

Kevin McNamara, Lincoln High School

The Student Assistance Counselor has a thorough knowledge of resources and child development. His professionalism when doing presentations in classrooms and his teamwork and problem solving are tremendous contributions to our school and community.

Kathleen Egan, Broad Rock Middle School

Students need someone to talk to. Someone they can confide in and know what they discuss can be confidential and won't be judged. The SAP provides knowledgeable and professional staff who have a wealth of resources to help students, parents and staff navigate difficult and challenging issues that many teens face.

Ruthanne Logan, Davisville Middle School

The Student Assistance Counselor assists individual and small groups of students who are at-risk. She is always willing to assist in various aspects of school culture improvement.

Karen Tarasevich, West Warwick Superintendent

Team work and collaboration between our Student Assistance Counselor and our other support staff has helped many, many students and families.

Mary Slattery (Smith), Exeter West Greenwich Junior High School

Our school would not run as smoothly if not for the work of our outstanding Student Assistance Counselor.

Dan Warner, Narragansett High School

The Student Assistance Counselor is a valued member of our school community; their care, compassion and advocacy is treasured by our students and their families.

Scott Barr, Classical High School

This program brings additional resources to our students and staff that are invaluable.

Candace Caluori, Tollgate High School