

## How do I access the School Social Work Clinician in my community?

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You can contact the School Social Work Clinician in two ways:

- 1) Contact your child's school office and request a referral form.
- 2) Download a referral form from the website:

<http://trsd32.mb.ca>

Once the form is filled out, please drop it off at your child's school or Division Office, ATTN: School Social Work Clinician.



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## The Goals of a School Social Work Clinician:

- ◆ Understand student behavior from a holistic perspective
- ◆ Build on strengths to improve the social, emotional, and academic functioning of a student
- ◆ Build relationships with families, schools and communities.
- ◆ Ensure that programs are accessible to families and students
- ◆ Build upon a family's and student's strengths in the community



## What does the School Social Work Clinician Do?

- ◆ Work with the students who are experiencing problems which are interfering with their success in school or with their attendance
- ◆ Advocate for families and students
- ◆ Collaborate with the school, community, and family to ensure the success of each student
- ◆ Prevent, educate, and provide interventions to at-risk students
- ◆ Facilitate groups and individual counseling for students and families
- ◆ Crisis Interventions
- ◆ Threat Assessments
- ◆ Assist with referrals to collateral agencies
- ◆ Provide workshops for parents/guardians
- ◆ Promote cultural growth and awareness



## Possible Reasons for a Referral to the School Social Work Clinician:

- \* Student experiencing loss, family illness, or changes to family structure (separation and divorce)
- \* Parent-teen conflict
- \* Anxiety, depression, self-harming behavior
- \* Difficulty with adjusting to school environment
- \* Low self-esteem and self-worth
- \* Poor school attendance
- \* Poor connection with school, community, and peers
- \* Substance abuse
- \* School-age pregnancy
- \* Family violence
- \* Students at-risk of dropping out of school