

Community Corner

I hope you are all settling into routine as we embark upon another exciting school year! My name is Rye McIntosh. I am the School Social worker at your child's school. As a member of the building support team, I am available to assist all students and their families. This is my 13th year working for Millard Public Schools.

There are a number of opportunities available for me to assist both your child as well as your family and I would like to invite you to take the time to call me if you feel that I may be able to support your family:

School Community Counselors Help Students:

- Achieve maximum academic benefits from their educational opportunities
- Address School-Related Concerns (i.e. absences, bullying, special education, academic achievement, and behavior)
- Understand themselves and others
- Cope with stress
- Develop social skills or self-control

School Community Counselors Help Parents:

- Participate effectively in their child's education
- Better understand and meet their child's social and emotional needs
- Address Family Issues (divorce, domestic violence, financial, parenting, etc.)
- Provide referrals and resources as available for families experiencing various challenges (homelessness, medical and mental health needs, etc.)

School Community Counselors Help Schools:

- Understand factors that affect students' abilities to make maximum use of their school experience
- Improve school climate through development of school policies and a wide range of prevention and intervention programs at the individual, classroom, district, and community levels.
- Minimize the environmental factors which inhibit learning
- Access or develop resources to adequately meet the needs of students and their families
- If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. You can reach me by phone at (402) 715-8774 or e-mail me anytime at rlmcintosh@mpsomaha.org

Have a wonderful 2021-22 school year,

Rye McIntosh, LCSW, LMHP

Want to find out more about your child's day at school? Learn more by asking these simple questions---

- 1. Who are 3 people you think care about you at school?
- 2. What are the three best things about school?
- 3. When you need a good laugh at school who do you want to talk to?
- 4. When you need help with a problem who do you want to talk to?
- 5. At recess, who do you hope to see first?

