

Preston County Schools Student Support Team

Our Mission

The mission of the Student Support Team is to build relationships with students and families by meeting them where they are and assisting them in finding the resources and support they need to ensure the educational success of all school-aged children.

Our Teams

The County Student Support Team includes:	The School Support Teams include:
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Director of Attendance & Student Support Services• Truancy Diversion Specialist• Student Service Provider	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• School Counselors• Communities in Schools Coordinators• School Social Workers

Our Work

The Preston County Schools County Student Support Team works with our School Support Teams to identify students and families who need support of any kind, whether educational, emotional, physical, or psychological, to be successful in school. We work with students and families who are struggling and advocate for them. We make connections between students and families who have needs and the school, community, government, and faith-based organizations who provide resources to meet those needs. Some students and families may qualify for services through the **McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act**. Many of these students are identified through the student residency questions included in the online survey completed at the beginning of the school year or upon enrollment at Preston County Schools. Many families in Preston County do not realize that their students may qualify for services of one kind or another through Preston County Schools or through one of our partners in the community. Please contact your school level support team or one of the county level teams to discuss your situation if you have questions about needs.

Our Community...the Heart and Hands of Student Support Services

Student Support Services works very closely with community agencies, faith-based communities and organizations, and social services agencies to build relationships between people who need support and those who are offering supports to make obtaining a successful education a priority for our students and families. We could not do this important work without the support of our community members. Thank you all from the bottom of our hearts!

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COUNTY LEVEL TEAM

Director of Attendance & Student Support Services Angie Zofchak 304-329-0580 ext 3236	Truancy Diversion Specialist Erin Hess 304-329-0400 ext 5206	
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SCHOOL LEVEL TEAMS

<u>Aurora School</u> School Counselor: Maureen Durst School Social Worker: Cathy Helmick	<u>Preston High School</u> School Counselor: 9 th gr. Vicki Parks School Counselor: 10 th -12 th A-M Shelly Pyles School Counselor: 10 th -12 th N-Z Jane Layne Communities in Schools: Mary Martin Communities in Schools: Shayne Murray
<u>Bruceton School</u> School Counselor: Lauren Peddicord Communities in Schools: Joni Everd	<u>South Preston School</u> School Counselor: Rebecca Guseman Communities in Schools: Mendy Shaffer
<u>Central Preston Middle School</u> School Counselor: Lincoln Barger School Social Worker: Andrea Stanley	<u>Terra Alta/East Preston School</u> School Counselor: Maureen Durst School Social Worker: Cathy Helmick
<u>Kingwood Elementary School</u> School Counselor: Crystal Pell School Social Worker: Andrea Stanley	<u>West Preston School</u> School Counselor: Aleesia McQuain Communities in Schools: Rebecca Fussell