

Introduction

Behavior Support Specialist (BSS) services are available to any CCPS elementary school student whose behaviors interfere with learning, social, and emotional growth in the school setting. Services target a wide variety of chronic and challenging behaviors including, but not limited to:

- ♦ Focusing/Attentional Difficulties
- ♦ Off Task/Distracting Behaviors
- ♦ Difficulty Following Directions
- ♦ Social Skills Deficits
- ♦ Disruptive or Unsafe Actions
- ♦ Behaviors Resulting from Mental Health Concerns

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Behavior Support Specialists

Carroll County Public Schools



VISION

Behavior Support Specialists (BSS) focus on students' social, emotional, and behavioral needs in order to maximize student learning and achievement.

MISSION

Behavior Support Specialists (BSS) support the school community through collaboration, prevention, intervention, and behavior and mental health education.



BSS services align with the CCPS Strategic Plan by providing:

- Social, emotional, and behavioral supports
- Consultation and collaboration with school-based teams, Student Services staff, families, and outside service providers
- Classroom management strategies
- Behavior observation, assessment, and intervention
- Data analysis to drive individualized interventions
- Individual and group counseling
- Program and service referrals
- Transition services for children entering and returning from alternate programs and hospital settings
- Crisis prevention and response
- Individual, school, and system-wide social, emotional, and behavior professional learning

BSS Support:

- ♦ Social, emotional, and behavioral development
- ♦ Safe and supportive learning environments
- ♦ School-family-community partnerships
- ♦ Data-based decision making



BSS Serve:

- ♦ Primary focus at elementary level
- ♦ Professional learning for schools at all levels

