Wraparound Services at Allenstown State School

Community Forum and Consultation
15 October 2012
Today’s program

* 11.00 - 12.00  Welcome and Introductions Forum

* 12.00 – 12.45  Lunch

* 12.45 – 2.00  Feedback and suggestions from agencies to school Reflections about our strategy
Our wraparound service is an initiative described in our National Partnership Plan. Allenstown SS is a National Partnership-Low SES school and this is one of the strategies to grow student wellbeing and support. A feature of our student body is the high need for social, emotional and mental health wellbeing.

The aim of the Allenstown Annex – Wraparound Service Centre is to provide direct support services to students and their families which will include access to a range of community personnel and agencies. Our vision is to start with our school community and over time, to invite other local schools to be part of this service.

Using the Understanding Poverty Framework (Ruby K. Payne 2008), we desire to empower our students and their families by providing access to services related to the following nine resources:

- Financial
- Emotional
- Mental
- Spiritual
- Physical
- Support Systems
- Relationships/Role Models,
- Knowledge of Hidden Rules
- Formal Register.
Where are we now in the creation of our Wraparound Services centre?

- We have been working on the concept since the start of Term 2 (July).
- We have designed our guiding principles, operating guidelines and quality assurance guidelines.
- We have made contact with other schools with Wraparound Service Centres.
- Our Chaplain, school-based Guidance Officer and a Regional Guidance Officer: Intensive Behaviour Support who is our ‘critical friend’ have made this service a part of their roles.
- We have the building and have begun to outfit it.
- We already have some working relationships with local organisations eg PCYC, CQID, RAI Team.
- We have our first booking for a parent information session to be conducted by Wilaway, focusing on blended and step-families.
The purpose of this forum is

- to offer you the opportunity to learn more about the school’s vision for the Wraparound Services Centre and the school’s need for such a service
- for you to share information with us and with others about your service.
- to enable us to build a service that will promote a sense of wellbeing in our school community, where this school can become a connection between our children and families and local community agencies and organisations.
Each agency describes their service in terms of who, what, why, where, when, how they could collaborate with the school and its families.

What do you need from us to make it easy for you to work with us for our children and families?

What questions do you have for us?
Plan – Where to from here for the Wraparound Services Centre?

* Who:

* What:

* When:

* Where:

* Why

* How:
Thank you for dedicating your time today to the students and families for Allenstown State School.

Reflecting on what you’ve heard today, what feedback do you want to give us? Please consider....

Other reflections?