

PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

Services are available on a scheduled basis to the member school districts. Schedules are arranged each semester so that each school district knows the days when the school psychologist will be in their school district. If an immediate need arises, that need can be addressed by contacting the cooperative office.

The services of the school psychologist range from a direct influence on the student, to an indirect influence on the student. The five categories of the service are the following:

1. Counseling/Therapy- The psychologist works with an individual student or small groups of students to enhance their adjustment or development.
2. Psychoeducational Assessment - The psychologist uses formal and informal data collection devices with individual students to obtain information needed for decisions about screening, classification, placement, and interventions
3. Consultative Child Study - The psychologist works with parent (s) or teacher(s) to enhance adjustment or development of the student(s).
4. In-Service - The psychologist works to increase knowledge and skills or to change attitudes of groups of school personnel.
5. Research - The psychologist systematically gathers data to aid in the decision regarding groups of students and their educational programs.