## Hello parents!

I hope this school year has started off well!

As the Student Services Coordinator for Battle River School Division, and a parent myself, I thought you would like to know we have the opportunity for students of all ages to access personal support at school.

BRSD offers Family School Liaison Workers (often called FSLWs) at every school except for colony schools. These are people who are trained in social and human service work. Their job is to be available to support students in times of personal stress or challenge. Members of the FSLW team serve more than one school but a member of the FSLW team visits each school every week.

Your child is most welcome to pop in and visit the FSLW while at school, but all children under the age of 16 require parental/guardian consent for ongoing FSLW services. If your child would benefit from having more than one visit with an FSLW you will receive a phone call from someone in your child's school to get your permission for ongoing conversations.

Students 16 years of age and older are able to consent to service independently. We do however encourage all students to inform parents/guardians of their desire to meet with the FSLW.

You can also ask to have the FSLW meet with your child or members of your family if you are in need of personal support.

Feel free to call your principal, or myself, if you would like more information about our services or if you would like to make arrangements for your child. I can be reached at (780) 672 6131 ext. 5270 or by email at cbadry@brsd.ab.ca

Sincerely,

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