

August 2018

Dear Parents/Guardians:

Welcome to the 2018-2019 school year at Smith Middle School! I am excited to begin another school year in the Vandalia-Butler City School District, and I look forward to working with you to help make this a great year for your child.

Our school counseling program is designed to enhance your child's learning and to promote his/her emotional health and well-being. I will be focusing on academic, career, personal and social areas of development, and will be providing the following services as part of the counseling program at Smith: Group and/or Individual Counseling; Mediation and Conflict Resolution; Crisis Counseling; Student/Parent/Teacher Consultation and Collaboration; and Referrals to Outside Agencies, as needed.

I am including a brief survey in order to determine the needs students and parents have this year. Please complete the survey and return it to your child's homeroom teacher. If you have questions or concerns or would like to discuss information relevant to your child or family, please contact me at Donna.Flinn@vbcsd.com or 415-7004.

Sincerely,

Donna Flinn-Richardson

Smith Middle School Needs Assessment Survey for In-Coming 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Students Please check each topic about which you would like for me to meet with your child. Anger Management Increasing Coping Skills **Body Image** Self-Esteem Social Skills Bullying Making and Keeping Friends Grief and Loss Divorce \_\_\_\_Test-Taking Skills Study Skills Custody Adjusting to a New District Time Management Anxiety \_Changes at Home Blended Family Child's Name Parent's Name and Signature for Permission to Participate **Phone Number** 

Please return this survey to your child's homeroom teacher or to Mrs. Flinn-Richardson at Smith Middle School.