

# Monte Sano Elementary School



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Dear Parents,

I would like to personally welcome you and your child to a new school year at Monte Sano Elementary. The faculty and staff, at Monte Sano, is dedicated in providing a learning environment that promotes social, emotional and academic growth of all children. To do this, will be a joint venture with parents, teachers and students. Your role as a parent is of great importance in this venture and we look forward to getting to know you. So, during the school year 2021-2022, lets work together so that your child can achieve the optimum success at school.

As the school counselor, I am concerned with the development of well-rounded students. The school plays a role in recognizing the importance of combining the necessary resources in enhancing the counseling program for all students, parents and teachers in developing positive learning experiences. The counseling program consists of many components such as: individual and small group counseling, classroom guidance lessons, career introduction, parents and teacher consultation, outside agency consultation and student referrals. The Guidance Department facilitates student development in four areas:

1. **Classroom Guidance**- Assisting students with the acquired attitudes, knowledge and skills which contribute to effective learning
2. **Individual Student Planning**- Assisting students in setting goals, establishing academic and career plans, understanding their own weaknesses and strengths, and prepare them for transition
3. **Responsive Services**- Adjusting to a new school, coping with grief or loss, dealing abuse or risky behaviors, peer facilitation, individual counseling, small group counseling, consultation and referrals
4. **System Support**- Enhancing the school climate and relationship between members of the school and community, coordinates parent out-reach services, community support services and conferencing with faculty and staff to facilitate collaboration for a greater understanding of student's developmental needs.

If during the course of the school year your child needs assistance or support in any of these areas, please feel free to call the *Guidance Office* (706) 481-1813 ext. 4559. Thanks for joining us on this journey where every day counts.

Eula Chestnut, School Counselor