A Message from the School Counselor

My name is Kristy Flatierre and I am the School Counselor for E.G. Hewitt Intermediate School. As a former student in the Ringwood Public Schools, I feel fortunate to have such a rewarding career in a district that I value highly. Dedicating all of my time to the intermediate school has provided me with a wonderful opportunity to interact with many of the 4th and 5th grade students.

As the School Counselor, I meet with students individually and in small groups, and conduct classroom guidance lessons. My primary responsibility is to promote the academic, career, and personal/social development of all students. I have an open door policy and students are encouraged to see me anytime they need, or want, to talk. Students are made aware that information disclosed is kept confidential, unless there is mention of something that could be harmful to themselves or others. I provide students with support and empower them to make good life choices. The only suggestion that I constantly make to students is to be honest when expressing their feelings and always communicate with their parent(s), as they are their biggest advocates.

One of my favorite roles as a school counselor is facilitating small groups. My lunch groups are offered to all students and focus on improving interpersonal skills. Topics discussed include: positive friendships, respect, honesty, good decision-making, self-control, conflict resolution, and positive self-esteem. I also enjoy visiting each classroom throughout the school year to teach character education lessons. Conducting lessons is a wonderful opportunity to get to know each and every student while promoting a positive school climate.

I look forward to getting to know you and working with you and your child/children throughout the school year. If you or your child would like to speak with me, please do not hesitate to contact me by email at flatierrek@ringwoodschools.org or by phone at 973-962-7015.

Sincerely,

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