

## January School Counselor's Corner

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**News:** As the school counselors at Willard PK-8 School, we help ALL students with social/emotional development, self-management, social skills, maintaining friendships, and we also provide support during various transitions in a student's life (e.g. family change, moving, grief, etc.).

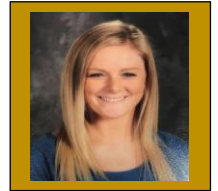
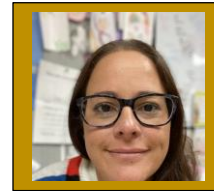
### **What's Up in Warren?** **Community Events this month:**

January 9, 2024 at 6:30-7:30: Warren Public Library. Family Hour, Gather the whole family around for some quality time at the library! We'll share stories, activities, and, occasionally, a visit from a special guest. For families with children ages 3 and older.

North Mar Indoor Playground Open: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 10:00AM -12:00PM

January 13, 2024 at 2:00-3:00 PM at the Warren Public Library. Enjoy a cozy afternoon at the library afternoon as you put together a puzzle and enjoy hot chocolate. Bring your own puzzle or put together one from the library.

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### **Counseling Connections Spotlight:**

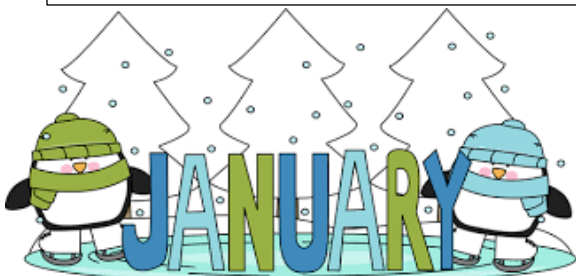
**Growth Mindset:** This quarter we will be focusing on Growth Mindset. Having a Growth Mindset means that our students and staff are willing to learn and grow. Their abilities are able to be improved upon by hard work and dedication.

### **Social-Emotional Learning Updates**

**K-5 4Rs:** During the month of January the focus will be on Listening. Students will learn how to understand another person's point of view which is part of conflict resolution. Our students will learn to be better listeners and help them find common ground with each other.

**6-8 Second Step:** During the month of January, students will be working on their mindsets and goals. Students learn how to develop growth mindset by applying goal-setting strategies to their social and academic lives.

**Attendance Matters:** Chronic absenteeism can lead to students having difficulty reading by the end of third grade, achieving in middle school and graduating high school. Help your child get to school by creating routines like a standard bed and wake up time and having them pick out their clothes the night before.



### **Important Dates Coming Up**

**Tuesday January 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Students Return from Break

**Monday January 15<sup>th</sup>:** Martin Luther King Jr Day (No School)