

have resorted to using school
 as a safe haven for
 children in schoolwork
 and are upset with family events such as divorce and
 feel depressed
 lack self-discipline
 are peer-oriented with ruggish behavior
 think about suicide
 lack study skills
 worry about harassment
 face tough education and college work
 concerning dropping out of school
 and the welfare of their future families

School psychologists are here to help parents and teachers in their
 understanding and solving these problems

School psychologists:

understand how schoolwork and how children learn
 provide easily accessible and effective mental health services to children
 provide preventive mental health and self-effective learning environment

**The following example situations show you how school psychologists typically
 approach a problem so you will know what to expect.**

A Slow Reader

Today's parents were concerned about their slow reading. They were heightening
 their children's self-confidence

At school, the teacher noticed that today's understanding of work when it was presented
 orally, the relevant class tests help him with written work. The school
 psychologist worked with today's parents and their first level of planning to improve
 his reading and writing. The plan worked and today's reading and confidence
 improved

By dealing with learning problems seriously, school psychologists can help prevent
 further difficulties

A Family Problem

The teacher noticed that Chris, the student, stopped participating in class
 discussions and withdrew from the group

The school psychologist was skeptical as to why Chris withdrew and suggested
 that after learning that his parents were getting a divorce, the school psychologist
 provided counseling for Chris and referred him to his parents using his
 self-confidence. Chris withdrew from self-esteem and felt relief
 confident that their continued relationship with his parents

School psychologists can be trusted to be in confidence with sensitive persons and
 family members

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