

News Flash from your School Social Worker

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year! Hello, I'm Delia Dowd, MSW, the social worker for Alice Fleet Elementary School and Taylor Elementary School. This is my first year with Arlington Public Schools (APS). I enjoy working with students and families within the Arlington community.

I am proficient in American Sign Language due to being hard of hearing. Please speak to me clearly and directly so that I can communicate effectively with you.

As an ACPS school social worker, my goal is to enhance all students' emotional well-being and improve their academic performance. I specialize in the assessment in the implementation of evidence-based mental health interventions. Besides, I work with various students with

several challenges, such as truancy, social anxiety, aggressive behaviors, substance abuse problems, sexual identity issues, and exposure to violence.

If you have any concerns that you would like to discuss with me regarding your child, please do not hesitate to email me at delia.dowd@apsva.us, or you can schedule an appointment to meet with me. My work hours are as followed: Mondays through Friday from 8:30 am to 4:00 pm.

I am available for consultations if you have concerns regarding your child academically, behaviorally, socially/emotionally. Lastly, I can assist with economic support and provide community referrals or resources. I look forward to working with you and your child.

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