

**POLICY RELATING TO EDUCATION**

***PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES***

The Wachusett Regional School Committee is committed to provide comprehensive psychological services, upon parent/legal guardian approval, mandated by state and federal regulations. Service shall be non-discriminatory and equitable and shall enhance the academic welfare of students. Services shall include student assessment, counseling, consultation, staff development, parent education, crisis intervention, liaison with other providers, and research.

**Service Elements:**

The following shall be provided as appropriate:

1. Individual evaluations of students referred for special education services
2. Adherence to due process regulations and confidentiality requirements
3. Adherence to non-discriminatory practices in test instrument selection and administration
4. Consultation with teacher, parents/legal guardian, and personnel concerning the instruction and/or mental health of students.
5. Individual and group counseling
6. Direct interventions with students
7. Mental health activities, and referral to and/or consultation with outside service agencies
8. Staff development and parent education
9. Analysis of research findings as it applies to every day practices of the District.

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***PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (continued)***

Goals and performance objectives shall be established. Assessment, evaluation, and corrective actions shall be implemented on an annual basis.

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