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### Manitoba Association of School Psychologists

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- Promotes and supports school psychology in Manitoba
- Develops a network of communication among practitioners of school psychology in Manitoba.
- Encourages and provides for professional growth and continuing education among members of the Association.
- Promotes the presentation of information to educators and the public regarding school psychology and educational issues.

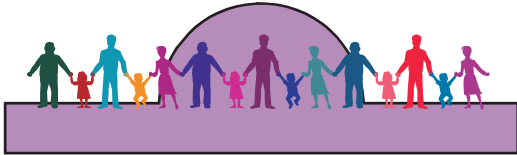
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## The Practice of Psychology in the School Communities of Manitoba

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Psychologists working in schools in Manitoba provide a comprehensive range of psychological services to the school community that include assessment, diagnosis, intervention, consultation and prevention. Psychologists have strong clinical skills and a broad knowledge base in child and adolescent development, cognitive processes, psychopathology, school and community systems, learning, and behaviour disorders.



### ***The Role of Psychologists in Schools***

The roles and services of psychologists in Manitoba's school communities have expanded over the last half-century to include:

- Direct and indirect student-focused interventions
- School-wide interventions
- Division/system interventions

The psychologist provides services that promote the development of a positive school environment that benefits all students by:

- Developing and implementing prevention and early intervention programs such as crisis response and violence prevention
- Collaborating with administrators and teachers to support the inclusion of students with special needs
- Developing and implementing parenting programs
- Consultation and inservicing with teachers concerning child and adolescent development, behaviour management, and learning styles



### ***Psychological Assessment***

Psychologists assess:  
Development, Intellectual Functioning, Learning Style, Emotional Functioning, Neuropsychological Functioning, Behaviour, Personality, Social Functioning.

Referral concerns may include:  
Learning Difficulty, Developmental Problems, Attentional Deficits, Depression, Suicide Risk, Stress and Anxiety, Interpersonal Difficulty, Violence and Aggression, Low Self-Esteem, Substance Abuse, Trauma, and Effects of Abuse.

### ***Prevention***

Psychologists are involved in the development and implementation of programs which aim to reduce the prevalence of problems. These include: Suicide Prevention, Bullying, Crisis Response, and Risk and Threat Assessment.



### ***Psychological Treatment***

A variety of therapeutic approaches and activities are utilized and may include: Anger Management, Art Therapy, Behaviour Therapy and Management, Cognitive Therapy, Conflict Management, Individual, Family and Group Therapy, Play Therapy, Psychotherapy, and Stress Management.

### ***Consultation and Training***

Psychologists consult with educators, parents and other professionals, and provide presentations and workshops for schools, parents, students and community groups.