

2026-2027 EDUCATION SUPPORT



The Susquehanna Waldorf School is committed to supporting every student's unique capacities and learning style.

CARE GROUP

The Care Group is a team of teachers and professionals at Susquehanna Waldorf School dedicated to supporting each child's academic, developmental, and social needs. Working in close partnership with parents, the Care Group offers observations, assessments, and individualized plans when additional support is needed.

Support may include in-school lessons to build developmental capacities, social guidance in the classroom, or referrals to outside resources. The group also participates in the admissions process and facilitates Child Study, a thoughtful and confidential faculty observation and reflection process that deepens our understanding of a child's unique needs. All services are offered with parental involvement and consent.

2026-27 CARE GROUP COMMITTEE MEMBERS



JESSIE WHITAKER
Care Group Chair



KRISTA BIENIEK



BECKY RUDOWSKY



HOLLY GALVEZ



NIKKI HILL

WHO TO REACH OUT TO WHEN YOU NEED RESOURCES

- 1 Your Teacher** Class teachers are always the first point of contact for questions and concerns regarding student support within the classroom.
- 2 Krista Bieniek** As our Administrator and Resource Coordinator, Krista is available to families with concerns or who would like to discuss resource options.
- 3 Erica Ware** Mrs. Ware can be reached directly and confidentially for student support concerns at Erica_Ware@iu13.org

For any questions regarding Student Support Services please reach out to:
Krista Bieniek, Resource Coordinator
krista.bieniek@susquehanna.org

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STUDENT SUPPORT TEAM & RESOURCES



KRISTA BIENIEK

School Administrator, Resource Coordinator & Extra Lesson teacher

Ms. Krista offers developmental movement observations and individual student lessons in the tradition of the Extra Lesson, a sensory-motor movement therapy, and she coordinates IU-13 support services



ERICA WARE

IU-13 School Counseling

Mrs. Ware is on campus two days each week to offer Social Emotional Learning lessons to full classes and small groups, and individual support sessions.



LANCASTER READING SOLUTIONS

A Reading Specialist from Lancaster Reading Solutions will be on campus to offer assessment and targeted literacy development support.

Other support Resources

Carol Rago, IU-13 School Psychologist
Sarah Walsh, IU-13 Speech and Language

STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES

In-House Support

- Classroom observation and recommendations for classroom adaptations and accommodations
- Individual developmental movement assessments
- Student Support Plans, including goal-setting and progress monitoring
- Full faculty Class and Child Studies
- Referrals to specialized professionals for assessment and therapies

In Collaboration With IU-13 Resources:

- Full class, small group, and individual school counseling lessons and support
- Psychoeducational evaluations
- Occupational and Physical therapy evaluations
- Speech and language evaluation and services

In Partnership With Lancaster Reading Solutions:

- Small group reading support

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