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# Checklist

## Tasks/Next Steps for School Social Workers

A well-organized approach is key to thriving as a school social worker. Use this checklist to ensure you're prepared to make a meaningful impact in your school community.

#### For New School Social Workers

□ Familiarize yourself with school policies and procedures.

- □ Build relationships with teachers, administrators, and counselors.
- □ Set up your case management system, such as <u>SWP Case Management Software</u>.
- □ Review existing student cases and identify immediate priorities.
- $\Box$  Attend orientation sessions or professional development workshops.

### For Experienced School Social Workers

 $\Box$  Review and update intervention plans for ongoing cases.

- $\Box$  Introduce new evidence-based school social work interventions to enhance student outcomes.
- □ Expand partnerships with community organizations for additional resources.
- □ Advocate for program improvements using data from your interventions.
- $\Box$  Mentor new school social workers or interns to support their development.

#### **General Next Steps**

□ Stay up-to-date with certifications and training requirements.

□ Actively participate in professional organizations like the <u>School Social Work Association of</u> <u>America</u>.

- $\Box$  Regularly assess the impact of your interventions and adjust strategies as needed.
- $\Box$  Create a resource hub for templates, tools, and community contacts.
- $\Box$  Prioritize self-care to maintain your own mental health and effectiveness.

This actionable checklist will help you stay organized, meet professional expectations, and continue making a difference in students' lives.

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