## COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE

In order for wRight Choice to be successful, a community collaborative has been established between Wright County Court Services and the following participating school districts:

- Buffalo-Hanover-Montrose (Host/Sponsoring School District)
- · Howard Lake-Waverly-Winsted
- Maple Lake
- Monticello
- St. Michael-Albertville
- Terra Nova
- Big Lake (Sherburne County)

#### Other wRight Choice partners include:

- · Wright County Commissioners
- Wright County Human Services
- Wright County Public Health
- Buffalo Police Department
- Wright County Sheriff's Department

#### **Connected for Life Daily Speakers**

Buffalo Police Police SRO Officer Positive Change Support, Canvas Health Suicide Prevention, Central MN Jobs and Training Services, Central MN Mental Health Center (Chemical & Mental Health), Job Corps, MN Dept. of Labor and Industry, MN Prevention & Recovery- Know the Truth ™ Prevention Program, North Hennepin Technical College, Rivers of Hope, St. Cloud Technical College & St. Cloud State University, Ridgewater College (Hutchinson & Willmar Campus), Wright County Court Services, Wright County Health & Human Services, Wright County Health Promotion, Wright County Law Library, Wright County Probation, Wright County Sheriff SRO Officer Positive Change Support

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An alternative to suspension for students in grades 6-12 throughout Wright County





RHM SCHOOLS

wRight Choice is an alternative to suspension for students in grades 6-12. The wRight Choice program is located in the Wright County Justice Center. The program is staffed with a licensed teacher, case aide, and auxilary services from the county. The program services a maximum of 12 students per day to ensure proper academic support. Typically a school administrator refers a student to wRight Choice for a period of one to five days. However, depending on the offense, students may be placed at wRight Choice for a term up to 45 days when agreed upon between school and county officials.

#### **GOALS**

- Prevent students from falling behind academically.
- Teach students the skills needed to be successful, such as decision-making, anger management, conflict resolution and problem solving.
- Provide restorative justice opportunities through community service, mediations, community conferences and other strategies.

#### GOALS

- Maintain a safe learning environment at school.
- Connect students and their families with community resources.
- · Minimize repeat offenses.
- Provide valuable information through small groups on topics such as chemical health, bullying and harassment prevention and emotional self-control.

#### **Restorative Practices**

Restorative practices are those actions taken to restore, whenever possible, the conditions that were in place prior to an incident occurring. As part of the student's day at wRight Choice, they will meet with the instructional leader to discuss how their behavior affected not only the student and the victim, but also others as well. Students may realize the impact their behavior has on the school, their family, and the community; an opportunity for guided reflection optimizes individual growth. The student may be involved in a restorative justice conference or mediation with the other party, providing both an opportunity to describe the impact of the student's actions. The process can often repair and restore the relationships that have been affected by the offense, students may be referred to wRight Choice for a term up to 45 days when agreed upon between school and county officials.

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#### A Day at wRight Choice

8:05 a.m. - Noon- Academic Support

Morning Meeting

Restorative Conferences

**Lunch-** (please bring from home or school)

**12:30 - 3 p.m.-** Connected for Life

Speaker

Academic Support

### Why wRight Choice?

Academic Support

Interventions

Community Resources Proactive
Prevention Skill
Building

Graphic Organizer Skill Building Restorative Opportunities

#### **DAILY SUPPORT**

Students who attend wRight Choice will focus on academic work, restorative measures, intervention, and reinstatement back to school.

wRight Choice provides students immediate support for their actions while creating opportunities to learn alternative ways to conduct themselves when presented with other difficult situations.

#### **PROACTIVE SUPPORTS**





Well-Being Indicator Tool for Youth (W-ITY)







#### REFERRAL INFORMATION

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