



## Questions for Interviewing Potential Evaluators

If you feel like it would be helpful to have your child evaluated or if the school counselors have recommended that your child be evaluated, we encourage you to interview two to three diagnosticians. You will want to determine the type of evaluations they provide and if they are a good fit for you and your child. The school counselors can provide guidance in the type of evaluation that will be most helpful for your child (academic evaluation vs. psychological assessment), so please feel free to contact them.

Below is a list of questions that may help you when interviewing diagnosticians. However, feel free to ask any questions that are important to you.

- 1) Share your concerns about your child or the type of evaluation you are looking for and ask: Do you provide this type of evaluation? What types of evaluations do you provide?
- 2) Will you evaluate my child on a social, emotional and/or psychological level or just an intellectual/academic level?
- 3) Will you observe my child in the classroom?
- 4) What should I expect in the testing process? What should my child expect?
- 5) How should I prepare my child for testing?
- 6) What is the complete cost of the evaluation and the report?
- 7) How long will it take to complete the evaluation process?