

Student Services Symposium
May 17, 2010

**Great Valley School District:
Best Practices**

Strong Programs & Program Write Ups

- **K-12 Board Approved Guidance Curriculum and Program**
- **Written Post-Vention Plan**
- **Written Threat Assessment Process**
- **Written Guidelines: Individual Student Interventions**

Alignment of K-12 Pupil Services with entire System, Organization & Structure of Services

- **All aspects and divisions of K-12 Pupil Services Department are inter-related**
- **Services are also inter-related**
- **Regularly scheduled meetings**
- **Serve on school district committees that have significant input into the full system**

Strong Team Culture

- **We value our strong team culture**
- **Much purposeful time and energy into maintaining positive and effective working relationships**
- **Professional development time to address team issues**
- **Known for our ability to be collaborative and cohesive**

Creative Program Development & Offerings to Meet Student Needs

- **Willing to create new programs and offerings:**
 - **WEB**
 - **Advocacy Program**
- **Certified Therapy Dog, “Tucker”**
- **“Challenge Day” & “Rachel’s Challenge”**

Commitment To Professional Development & Best Practices

- **Seek additional learning outside of the organization through courses, workshops, and pursuit of additional degrees**
- **Members and officers in professional organizations**
- **College Instructors**
- **Willingly share new learning and expertise**