

2411 GUIDANCE COUNSELING (M)

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The Board of Education requires that a planned program of guidance and counseling be an integral part of the educational program of the schools to assist pupils in drawing the greatest benefit from the offerings of the instructional program, in identifying educational options, and in making choices in vocational and academic planning.

A program of guidance and counseling shall be offered to all pupils in grades Pre-K through eight and shall be the responsibility of the classroom teacher, who may draw upon the services of other, more specialized staff members as required.

The Superintendent is directed to implement a guidance program that carries out the purposes of this policy and:

1. Involves teaching staff members at all appropriate levels;
2. Honors the individuality of each pupil;
3. Is integrated with the total educational program;
4. Is coordinated with available resources of the community;
5. Provides for cooperation of school staff with parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and shares parents' or legal guardians' concern for the development of their children;
6. Provides for the means of sharing information among appropriate staff members in the pupil's interest;
7. Is equally available to all pupils and prohibits biased counseling and the use of materials that discriminate among pupils on the basis of their race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectational or sexual orientation or sex, social or economic status, or disability; and
8. Establishes a referral system that utilizes all the aid the schools and community offer, guards the privacy of the pupil, and monitors the efficacy of such referrals.



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