

COUNSELING AND GUIDANCE PROGRAM

Elementary and secondary schools shall provide counseling and guidance services for students. When appropriate, schools shall utilize testing, guidance, and counseling services that various agencies extend to students of private schools.

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When feasible, elementary schools will engage the services of a licensed school or community counselor. Elementary schools shall also use agencies such as public schools, Catholic Charities, universities and mental health clinics to assist in providing services.

Secondary school counseling and guidance programs shall:

1. Have clearly stated goals and objectives that are evaluated and updated regularly.
2. Include guidance and counseling in the following areas: academic, vocational, personal, moral and spiritual.
3. Make services available and easily accessible to all students.
4. Employ counseling and guidance personnel properly licensed for their work by the State of Illinois. Campus ministers or those who do counseling of a religious nature shall be professionally trained.
5. Assure that student records are maintained accurately and confidentially.
6. Involve teachers, when needed.
7. Be a resource for faculty and staff in-services.
8. Provide data for faculty and staff research and evaluation of the school's educational program.