# What My School Counselor Does...

The Counseling Center welcomes you and your student by walk in or appointment. Although appointments are not necessary for parents, to avoid waiting, they are encouraged. We suggest that students sign in, but they are welcome to come in during breaks, lunch, or if requested by a teacher or administrator. Students are the FIRST priority.

## RESPONSIVE SERVICES

Your student is encouraged to visit the Counseling Center when needed. The Counseling Center is a safe environment where students can come for help with issues that may be affecting his or her ability to be successful in class. We encourage friends, teachers, administrators, and parents to refer students who may benefit from our services.

Collaborating with parents, teachers, administration, and community agencies we can better ensure that students and parents receive the support they need to be successful.

We are available throughout the day to help students and parents with any concerns that could include: friends, family, bullying, class concerns, grief and loss, personal/social issues, crisis, suicidal issues, transition or just someone to listen.

#### GUIDANCE CURRICULUM

We visit the classrooms on a regular basis throughout the school year and organize activities and events that allow students to explore different academic learning, personal/social, life/career, and multicultural skills. Our guidance curriculum includes: connecting personality to career pathways, understanding learning styles/ behaviors/attitudes, career exploration (Utah Futures, CTE Intro Lessons), character education (bullying, goal setting, life skills, study skills, internet safety), Utah Scholar presentations: paying for college, scholarships from the State of Utah, saving for college, academic goals, career options, and reasons to go to college, along with many other relevant topics.

### INDIVIDUAL STUDENT PLANNING

Students and parents are invited to meet formally with his or her assigned school counselor during CCR (College and Career Readiness Plan) to discuss and create plans for the future which include: current academic progress, course selection for the next year, four-year educational plan, graduation requirements, scholarship opportunities, academic/personal goals, career options, any post high school education or goals.

### PRIVACY

At Kaysville Junior High we follow the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) Code of Ethics. It is important to us as counselors to protect students, in every way possible. The information that a student shares with us will be kept private unless it violates the ASCA Ethics Code, the student gives us permission to share the information, or it is required by school policy or law.

### TYPES OF INFORMATION THAT WE MUST SHARE WITH OTHERS:

\*IF YOU ARE AT RISK OF HARM TO YOURSELF, AND OR OTHERS

\*IF YOU ARE BEING BULLIED OR ARE BULLYING OTHERS

\*IF YOU ARE ENGAGING IN ANY ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

\*IF WE ARE ORDERED BY THE COURT TO RELEASE INFORMATION

\*IF IT GOES AGAINST SCHOOL POLICY OR THE CODE OF ETHICS

\*IF AND WHEN YOU GIVE US PERMISSION

As your counselors, we value your trust and the trust of your student. We will do what we can within the limits of the law, code of ethics, and school policy to ensure the safety of your student and the school.

IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS ABOUT YOUR PRIVACY, PLEASE LET US KNOW!