



Developmental Guidance Program

Dear Parents/Guardians,

As school counselors and former teachers, our goal is to help your child have an academically successful and personally fulfilling experience at Bayside Intermediate. We are committed to helping your child reach his/her potential. We have included an overview of the guidance curriculum and services we provide. Should you wish to preview these items or have any questions, please feel free to contact us at 281-284-3000.

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Counseling Program Highlights

What Does a School Counselor Do?

- ⇒ Counsels Individuals and Groups
- ⇒ Consults with Teachers and Parents
- ⇒ Implements Classroom Guidance
- ⇒ Guides Students through Development of Educational Plans
- ⇒ Supports Students in Transitioning from Elementary to Intermediate and Intermediate to High School
- ⇒ Coordinates with School and Community Stakeholders to gather resources for students
- ⇒ Follow the Professional Ethical Standards for School Counselors

Required Guidance Curriculum Topics:

- ◆ **Bullying Prevention**
- ◆ **Youth Mental Health**
- ◆ **Child Abuse/ Family Violence/ Dating Violence Prevention** (annually with parent permission required for student to attend. Information will come 2 weeks prior to lesson)
- ◆ **Substance Abuse Awareness/ Prevention** (Red Ribbon Week: Oct 28– Nov. 1st)
- ◆ **Generation Texas Week** (Nov. 18-22,2024)

◆ Academic Advising

- ◆ **Naviance Family Connection**-6-8th students will set goals, complete self-discovery inventories, and learn more about planning for success after high school
- ◆ **College/Career Readiness**
- ◆ **Small Group Counseling**
- ◆ **Crisis Management**

Guidance Curriculum

Help students develop their full educational potential, including the student's interests and career objectives

Responsive Services

Intervene on behalf of any student whose immediate personal concerns or problems put the student's continued educational, career, personal, or social development at risk

Individual Planning

Guide a student as the student plans, monitors, and manages the student's own educational, career, personal, and social development

System Support

Supports the efforts of teachers, staff, parents, and community members in promoting the educational, career, personal, and social development of students



Developmental Guidance Program cont.

School Counselors are available to assist students with a wide range of personal concerns, including such areas as social, family, emotional, mental health, or substance abuse. A student may request to visit the school counselor's office and parents may request resources from a counselor. In order to meet the personal needs of students, school counselors may also offer support groups on a recurring basis. If a parent/guardian does not want their student to participate in a support group, written documentation of denial of services will need to be provided to the school counselor.

CORE VALUES & CHARACTER STRONG TIMELINE

RESPECT/ Be proactive: AUGUST—SEPTEMBER

RESPONSIBILITY/ Begin with the end in mind: OCTOBER

CITIZENSHIP/ Put first things first: NOVEMBER

TRRFCC/ Overview of Habits: DECEMBER

TRUSTWORTHINESS/ Think Win –Win: JANUARY

CARING/ Seek First to Understand, Then to be Understood: FEBRUARY/
MARCH

FAIRNESS/ Synergize: APRIL

TRRFCC/ Sharpen the Saw: MAY



Contact Your Student's Counselor About...

- ◆ Academic Performance
- ◆ Family Changes
- ◆ Peer Relations
- ◆ Sudden Behavioral Changes
- ◆ Stress and Coping Skills
- ◆ Grief and Loss
- ◆ Lifestyle Changes
- ◆ Community Resources

We are available to assist your child upon request. Students who need to speak with a counselor should fill out the counselor request form online. This form can be located in Canvas on our Bayside Knights student page. Click the Counselor Shield button and it will take you each counselor's name. Click the name of the counselor you are requesting to see and complete the form. Once the request is received, we will contact the student during school hours, Monday through Friday between 8:15 AM and 4:00 PM. If you have any questions or concerns, don't hesitate to contact us. We look forward to partnering with you to maximize your child's success!

Ms. Brown, Ms. Kirkpatrick, and Ms. Zeller

