

Counselor Corner

Our Mission & Vision

Mission:

Maximize student achievement and social-emotional-well being by building a sense of community in safe, equitable learning environments.

Vision:

Students are empowered to learn, lead, innovate, and serve as productive caring citizens within their chosen paths of succes.



9th & 10th Grade Counselor

- Ms. Karen Evans, Ed.S
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- (478) 779-4873
- Ms. Evans is the counselor for all 9th grade and 10th grade last name **(A - Jackson)**.

10th & 11th Grade Counselor

- Ms. Jennifer Harrison, M.Ed
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- (478) 779-4877
- Ms. Harrison is the counselor for all 10th grade last name **(Jenkins - Z)** and for all 11th grade.

12th Grade Counselor

- Mr. Lamaurice Frnaklin, M.S., LPC, CAADC
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- (478) 779-4876
- Mr. Franklin is the counselor for all 12th grade.



Schedule Change Requests

- Students will have **five (5)** days after the year begins to request a schedule change (**Deadline: August 8th, 2025**).
- Legitimate reasons for drop/add a class within the limited number of days may include:
 - Student has already received maximum credit for course
 - Student is taking a course out of sequence
 - Student is incorrectly scheduled for a class that does not contribute to the student's chosen course of study or CTAE pathway.
 - Student needs a required course for graduation, and is projected to graduate at end of school year.
- **ANY CLASS DROPPED MUST BE REPLACED WITH ANOTHER CLASS. SCHEDULE CHANGES ARE SUBJECT TO SPACE AVAILABILITY IN REQUESTED CLASS. CHANGES IN STUDENT SCHEDULES FOR BALANCING CLASS SIZES ARE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION.**

9th Grade

- Maintain an academically rigorous course of study.
- Update your GA Futures account. Create a GA Futures account if you do not have one.
- Select a College and Career Readiness Pathway.
- Meet with your assigned counselor to revise your Individual Graduation Plan.
- Seek out opportunities to volunteer and do community service. Make this an on-going practice throughout high school 9-12.

11th Grade

- Take the SAT and/or ACT in the Spring. Check post-secondary catalogs, college websites or www.GAfutures.org to determine which test is required for admission.
- Take PSAT for National Merit Scholarship.
- Take the ASVAB if you are interested or considering joining the armed forces. The ASVAB is given twice a year, at no cost; performance on ASVAB directly tied to your job in the military.
- Visit your assigned counselor regularly. Counselor will guide students in the exploration of careers and postsecondary education possibilities and application process.
- Begin to visit college, university, and/or technical college campuses.
- Research and apply for eligible scholarships and begin practicing essays for admissions and/or scholarships.

Postsecondary Planning Information

All Grade Level Announcements

- Students, please ensure you are checking your BCSD email accounts daily for important grade level announcements, information, and/or opportunities.
- Counselors will have regular office hours Wednesdays of each week from 9:00 am to 11:00 am. Students will be assisted on a first come, first served basis. If you need to meet with a counselor outside of regular office hours please email your assigned counselor to schedule an appointment. Student walk-In's outside of office hours will not be seen or assisted. (Exceptions: Administration referral or student crisis. Student crises include suicidal/homicidal ideations, bullying, potential physical altercation w/ a peer, socioeconomic issues or concerns, and physical, emotional, and/or sexual abuse)

Schedule Change Requests:
08/04/25 to 08/08/25



10th Grade

- Plan to take elective courses related to your career interest and visit some job sites.
- Plan to take the Preliminary SAT (PSAT) which is given to all 10th grade students in the Fall of their Sophomore year at no cost. The PSAT is given once a year.
- Take the PSAT to determine areas of academic strength and weakness.
- Continue to update your GA Futures Account.
- Meet with your assigned counselor to decide if you should take the SAT or ACT; especially if enrolled in AP, IB, or advanced level courses.

12th Grade

- Meet with counselor to confirm graduation eligibility (graduation verification).
- Continue to update your GA Futures account.
- Look out for announcements concerning postsecondary representatives' visits, college and career fest, scholarship information, and test registration dates.
- Retake the SAT or ACT in early fall to improve scores.
- Make a 4ME choice: select postsecondary and/or technical schools, military, job workforce, or entrepreneurship.
- Complete FAFSA in January.
- Apply for scholarships.
- Visit postsecondary institutions of choice.
- Finalize postsecondary choices.