JYMS School Counseling 2024-2025

Comprehensive Program Details & Domains



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School Counselor 6TH GRADE & 7TH GRADE (Last Names A-M)

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School Counseling Mission Statement:

The mission of the school counseling program at John Yeates Middle School is to provide comprehensive school counseling services and a program that addresses the needs and interests of scholars. The school counseling department will also engage all scholars in learning that will foster academic excellence and responsible citizenship. The school counseling department will cultivate equity, access and success through classroom lessons, small group and individual counseling. In collaboration with our community, the school counseling department will ensure all scholar's growth and academic achievement as they develop their character in a positive, safe and learning environment.

JYMS Vision Statement:

The vision of John Yeates Middle School counseling program is that all scholars will attain academic success, social-emotional growth, and will become college or career ready. Scholars will be encouraged to build on existing skills and knowledge to discover and reach their full potential. Scholars will be prepared to function as life-long learners and productive citizens of our community.

Counseling initiatives

- Individual Counseling/ short-term counseling (parent permission)
- Small Group Counseling
- Classroom Counseling
- Peer mediation
- Staff counseling & training
- Collaboration and referrals to WTSB

Counseling Department Events

SOL Testing Support

- Anti-bullying month initiatives
- Monthly school-wide counseling initiatives and classroom discussions
- Career and Academic Planning
- 6th Grade Orientation
- Health/PE support (Erika's Lighthouse/Family Life)
- 8th grade CCAP field trip (collaboration with CTE)

Counseling Registrar Domains

The counseling registar handles the following duties:

- Registrations
- Withdrawls
- Records Requests
- Records Manifests & Transfer of Records
- Counselor/Registrar Monthly Meetings
- End of the year record closeout procedures
- Other duties as assigned by the Principal

The records room is overseen by the Counseling Director and efficient procedures are created in collaboration with the Registar, Counseling Director and Principal.

Classroom Counseling Topic Schedule

Topic	Month	Setting
Get to know your School Counselor/ Goal Setting	September	Classroom
Bullying Awareness	October	Classroom
Career Planning	November	Auditorium/Town Hall
Academic Career Plan	December	Classroom

Mindfulness/Applying Coping Skills	January	Classroom
Friendship	February	Auditorium/Town Hall
Emotion Regulation & Self-Control	March	Classroom
Inclusion & Diversity	April	Auditorium/Town Hall
Testing Anxiety & Strategies	May	Classroom
Reflection/Close-Out	June	Classroom

Collaboration with Feeder Schools

The School Counseling department will collaborate with our feeder schools to ensure the smooth transition to and from JYMS. This collaboration includes:

- Assembly presentations at the elementary schools
- Meeting with Elementary School Counselors to ensure smooth scheduling and transition from 5th to 6th grade
- Meeting with NRHS Principal and Counseling Director to discuss 8th to 9th grade scheduling and transition

School Support

The School Counseling department assists with various events and committees throughout the school year to provide insight and support to our school community

- McKinney Vento (Turner)
- Leadership team member
- Equity team member (Turner)
- SOL testing assistance (Tech support & material distribution & collection)

• Orientation support