

Mecklenburg County Public Schools

School Counseling



Here to serve all students
And their families

If you or your child needs help with:

Academic Counseling – Program of studies, grade placement, individualized academic testing, and post-secondary academic opportunities.

Career Counseling – Career exploration, career interest and values inventories, career planning, job training and placement, and post-secondary career & Vocation educational opportunities.

Personal/Social Counseling – To help understand developmental issues, the rights and needs of others, anger management and conflict resolution skills, and exploring individual interests, abilities, and aptitudes.

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Mecklenburg County Public Schools

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Chase City Elementary:	372-4770
Clarksville Elementary:	374-8668
La Crosse Elementary:	757-7374
South Hill Elementary:	447-3761
Bluestone Middle:	372-3266
Parkview Middle:	447-3761
Bluestone High:	372-5177
Parkview High:	447-3435

School Counselors Believe:

- Children have dignity & worth as human beings.
- Children learn best when they feel good about themselves & their relationships with others.
- Children who understand their feelings are better able to control their behavior.
- Attitudes formed during elementary school shape future attitudes toward learning, self and society.

School Counseling services are available to all students, not just those in a crisis situation.

School Counselors Help...

- Children develop a better understanding & acceptance of themselves.
- Children cope with family changes.
- Children develop decision making & problem solving skills.
- Children develop socially & emotionally, to mature in their relationships with others.
- Children to understand themselves in relation to their own development.
- Parents understand their children's emotions, behaviors, & learning styles, & assist them in meeting their child's needs.
- School staff, teachers, & administrators understand & meet the needs of all students in intellectual, personal, social & emotional areas.
- Parents & teachers create a positive learning environment.

School Counselor's Mission:

IN OUR CHANGING WORLD:

By age 21, many of today's young people have:

- Faced more decisions than their grandparents faced in a lifetime.
 - Been exposed to greater risks than previous generations.
 - Faced critical decisions about sexuality & abuse.
 - Been exposed to increasing violence in our society & in their schools.
 - Faced hopelessness that, without help, can lead to self-destructive behavior.
 - Been exposed to more moves, loss, and/or trauma than previous generations.
 - Had to make career & academic decisions with little or no help.
 - Been diagnosed with a mental illness or suffered physical disability, or condition that makes daily life a constant struggle.
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Young people affected by these & other problems are not able to achieve at their full academic potential. The counselor's primary task is to help students become better learners by providing a comprehensive program that includes responsive services, individual planning, systems support & guidance curriculum.

The Professional School Counselor is a certified professional with a master's degree in school counseling, or related field, including coursework in career development, human growth & behavior, guidance & information services, & a supervised internship.

Their mission is to support student success in academic achievement, functional ability, emotional stability, social responsiveness, & behavioral control, by fostering a supportive, safe & enriched learning environment in school; and to the extent possible, by

providing supportive & educational services to student families & the community at large.

Elementary School Counselor's Help:

- Children develop a better understanding & acceptance of themselves
- Children cope with family changes
- Children develop decision making & problem solving skills.
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Middle School Counselor's Help:

- Young adolescents learn to understand more about themselves during this transition period.
- Young adolescents learn to manage & organize information.
- Young adolescents make choices & deal with change
- Young adolescents create educational plans and set educational goals.
- Young adolescents develop positive attitudes toward lifelong learning and the world of work.

High School Counselor's Help:

- Provide direct counseling services to students individually & in support groups.
 - Provide education & support services to parents.
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 - Provide consultation services to teachers.
 - Provide staff in-services.
 - Facilitate referrals to community support services.
 - Advise students on academic planning.
 - Provide career guidance to students.
 - Provide career information to parents.
 - Maintain an up-to-date library of career & post-secondary school information.
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The Office of Student Support Services:

- Advocates for students & their families
 - Provides individual counseling sessions with students & parents.
 - Handles truancy & court referrals.
 - Administers Safe & Drug Free Schools & Community Act Grant Funds.
 - Provides professional development & parent training opportunities.
 - Serves as a program resource for the division counseling & school social worker programs.
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Superintendent:
Mr. Paul Nichols

Assistant Superintendent:
Mr. Abe Jeffers