The guidance counselor shall acquaint students with the educational system and its offerings. Students shall be given assistance in selecting and enrolling in programs and courses.

Guidance and counseling on a personal basis shall assist each student to understand him/herself, his/her capabilities, and limitations; to identify alternate courses of action; and to make appropriate personal decisions. The counselor shall refer any student’s personal problem to the parent(s)/guardian(s), after consultation with the Principal, whenever such problem is beyond the scope of training and experience for the counselor.

A library of up-to-date occupational information and training requirements shall be maintained for student and staff reference and for teaching or counseling purposes. All secondary school students will be encouraged to consider career goals and objectives and to pursue programs of study related to those ends. Assistance in job placement may be given students both directly and by working with other agencies.

The counselor, in cooperation with teachers and other agencies, will participate periodic studies to assess the results of the educational program of the school. Follow-up information will be assembled to give continued assistance to former students, to facilitate curriculum evaluation and to reinforce the guidance program for students enrolled in school.

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