



RIVER VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Guidance and Counseling Program

The River Valley School District shall maintain a guidance and counseling program which will serve all students and help them with emotional, educational, career, civic and social development. The program shall be developmental in nature.

The guidance and counseling services shall exist to help improve the learning climate by involving students, parents and guardians, staff and community members who can influence the educational, personal and career development of students. Counselors shall assist all students to develop a more realistic and adequate concept of themselves through individual and group contact over a period of time. Counselors shall help all students develop a knowledge of self as it applies to personal, educational and career decisions. Further, the guidance and counseling program shall help prepare individuals to live effective lives and to engage in meaningful, satisfying, paid and/or unpaid work in harmony with themselves, with others and with their environment.

The specific goals of the guidance and counseling program shall be to:

1. Help students in developing a knowledge of self including aptitudes, abilities, needs, values, interests, strengths, limitations and self worth.
2. Assist students with emotional growth, including family relationships and the understanding of others.
3. Assist students in the development of social skills and civic responsibilities.
4. Assist students with problem-solving, decision-making and coping skills.
5. Help students with educational development including basic skills.
6. Form partnerships between the school and community designed to assist students in their career and social development.
7. Assist staff as resource consultant in student/teacher relationships, behavior management, student evaluation and parent contacts.
8. Provide assistance to students and families during crisis situations.
9. Offer guidance services and information to the local community.

The River Valley School District ~~shall~~ does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation, age, or ~~physical, mental, emotional or learning~~ disability in the methods, practices and materials used for counseling, evaluating and testing students or in its programs and activities and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other

designated youth groups. The following people have been designated to handle inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies: Brian Krey, Business Manager, 660 W. Daley, Street, Spring Green, WI 53588, 608-588-2551, bkrey@rvschools.org and Lisa Kjos, Pupil Services Director, 660 Varsity Blvd., Spring Green, WI 53588, 608-588-2554, lkjos@rvschools.org. Discrimination complaints shall be processed in accordance with established procedures.

LEGAL REF.: Sections 118.126 Wisconsin Statutes
118.13
121.02(1)(g)
PI 9.,03(1), Wisconsin Administrative Code

CROSS REF.: Policy #411-Rule - Discrimination Complaint Procedures
Policy #346 - Testing Programs
Policy #347 - Student Records

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