

## SCHOOL COUNSELORS HELP STUDENTS BY...

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- Promoting positive attitudes among students toward self, family, peers and community.
- Assisting students in learning how school performance relates to future opportunities.
- Developing and delivering classroom guidance lessons that teach skill such as health decisions making, resolving conflicts and respecting others.
- Working collaboratively with students, parents and teachers to identify and remove barriers to learning.
- Supporting students by teaching skills for achieving success.
- Helping students to recognize and make the best of their abilities.
- Counseling with students individually and in groups.
- Providing support during personal crisis.
- Orienting new students.

Who are School Counselors?

*Professionals with...*

Masters Degree in Educational Psychology/School Counseling

Illinois State Board of Education Certification in School Counseling.

## REQUIREMENTS FOR GRADUATION

The following classes are required for graduation from PCHS. These requirements meet both state and local mandates. Each student is required to complete 5 Community Service Hours per year in High School. (Total 20 hours)

Subject	Credits
English/Language Arts	4
Math	3
Science	3
Social Studies	3
Consumer Education	.5
Physical Education, Health, Driver's Education	4
Career Education	1
Fine Art	1
Electives	8.5
Total	28

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## SCHOOL COUNSELING DEPARTMENT



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## Guided Framework

### MISSION

To provide a comprehensive school counseling program for all students that includes academic, personal-social, and career guidance and counseling activities. Academics will flourish as we prepare the student for the classroom. We focus on student strengths to nurture social and intellectual growth through understanding the whole child. Through collaboration we provide educational and social learning, which encourages students to be resourceful, lifelong learners.

### VISION

We will guide all students to be successful (personally, socially and academically) and connect learning to future endeavors in order to plan for a productive, self supporting future.

### BELIEFS

- All students are capable of learning and being successful
- Respect each individual
- The future starts here—plan for it!!
- Value service and contributions to others
- Together we will win

## What School Counseling Programs Teach

### ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT

- Effective learning in school and across the life span
- Academic preparation for post-secondary options
- Relationship of academics, work, family and community life

### CAREER DEVELOPMENT

- Investigate the world of work to make informed decisions
- Strategies to achieve future career goals
- Relationship of personal qualities, education, training and work

### PERSONAL & SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

- 1:1 or group counseling
- Interpersonal skills to respect self and others
- Decision making, setting goals and taking action to achieve goals
- Understanding everyday safety and survival skills



## How and Why do Parents Contact the School Counselor?

Concerns over student achievement  
Course selection and College planning  
Standardized Test interpretation  
Early discussion of potential crises  
Family difficulties or concerns

Parents can CALL or EMAIL the school counselor at any time to set up an appointment.

## How Does a Student See a Counselor?

Students can stop by the counseling office at any time before school, during lunch, or after school. Students can also email or stop by and make an appointment to see the counselor.

Also:

Parent referral

Administrative Referral

Teacher or other staff referral

Referral by Friend(s)

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