GUIDANCE PROGRAM

Each secondary school shall provide a program of guidance services designed to assist students in selecting appropriate educational activities, to help them to understand themselves in relation to their environment, and to develop the decision-making ability and inner discipline that will help them to achieve their maximum potential.

The program shall be headed by a guidance counselor possessing a Mississippi Professional Certificate whose responsibilities shall be to:

- Plan and develop a guidance program
- Provide counseling experiences
- Evaluate student appraisals
- Provide educational and occupational planning
- Make referrals
- Assist in placement
- Provide parental assistance
- Plan staff involvement
- Conduct educational research
- Assist in developing positive public relations

For guidance program to become effective, teachers and counselors should understand that it is a qualified privilege when a student confides in them. Conferring, consulting, guiding, and advising must be built upon a mutual trust that is predicated upon a premise of confidentiality.

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