

The district shall provide all students of the district with counseling services in accordance with state law. K-12 Developmental Guidance Curriculum Manual shall be maintained which describes the program.

In order for counseling to be effective, students must be confident that their discussions with school counselors, school psychologists and school social workers (counseling support staff) will remain confidential and are bound by professional ethics. At the same time, students must be aware that information which forewarns of or discloses potential or actual danger to the health and/or safety of the counselee, other students, district faculty/staff or others or which indicates disruption of the daily maintenance or operation of the school, must be revealed to the appropriate official(s).

Prior to engaging in counseling, students must be aware of the counseling support staff member's responsibility to disclose knowledge of potential or actual health and/or safety dangers or knowledge of disruption to the daily maintenance or operation of the school. This requirement will be made known to students by the individual professional and/or in the approved student handbook.

In accordance with Board policy, the school district shall not discriminate in the methods, practices and materials used for counseling, evaluating and testing students.

Legal Reference(s): Wisconsin Statutes Sections 118.13 121.2 (1) (g)

Cross Reference: 411, Equal Educational Opportunities

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