
GUIDANCE SERVICES

A guidance program shall be incorporated into the District's educational program to aid pupils in making informed and responsible decisions and in using effective decision-making processes. The guidance program will be developed and coordinated by the Superintendent or his/her designee in consultation with teaching staff members he/she has identified as possessing necessary skills and abilities, to help pupils acquire the insights and knowledge they need to become autonomous, mature members of adult society in a democratic nation.

The purpose of the guidance program shall be to help pupils in learning to make their own decisions concerning life's many choices – personal, educational, and career/vocational.

The guidance program will provide, as fully as possible, the information needed to make the best decisions concerning the pupil's educational program. Such information will include facts such as test scores, grades and educational history. Pupil records may also include anecdotes, but shall not carry judgments, opinions and other advice.

Pupils will be encouraged to avail themselves of the help of the guidance department's personnel. The guidance department in the high school will encourage the visits of educational and occupational representatives, including military recruiters. The Administration will have a positive attitude toward granting permission to seniors to visit schools, colleges and places of employment during school time. Pupils must have prior approval of the guidance department for the scheduled visit.

Guidance services will include establishment of a referral system that guards the privacy of the pupil and monitors the efficacy of such referrals, when District resources are not sufficient, as in drug or alcohol counseling.

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Legal References:

N.J.S.A. 18A:35-4.2

N.J.S.A. 18A:36-19

N.J.S.A. 18A:36-19.1

Career development program

Pupil records; creation, maintenance and retention, security and access; regulations; nonliability

Military recruiters; access to schools and student information directories

<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:38-36	Employment certificates to part-time pupils; revocation
<u>N.J.S.A.</u> 18A:46-5.1	Basic child study team services; provision by boards of education and state operated programs
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:7-1.7	Equality in school and classroom practices
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:8-1.1 <u>et seq.</u>	Standards and Assessment
 <u>See particularly:</u>	
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:8-3.2	
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:9-13.2	Substance awareness coordinator
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:9-13.7	Director of school counseling services
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:9-13.8	School counselor
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:14-3.4	Evaluation
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:16-4.1	Adoption of policies and procedures for the intervention of student alcohol and other drug abuse
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:30-1.1 <u>et seq.</u>	Evaluation of the Performance of School Districts
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:32-7.1 <u>et seq.</u>	Student Records
<u>N.J.A.C.</u> 6A:32-13.3	Guidance and counseling

Possible

Cross References:

5020	Role of parents/guardians
5113	Absences and excuses
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5125	Pupil records
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