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GUIDANCE PROGRAM

The School District of Hartford Jt. #1 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.

Guidance and counseling services shall exist to help improve the learning climate by involving students, parents, staff and community members who can influence the educational, personal and career development of students. Counselors shall assist all students to develop a realistic and adequate concept of themselves through individual or 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.

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. Form partnerships between the school and community designed to assist students in their career development.
6. Assist staff as resource consultants in student/teacher relationships, behavior management, student evaluation and parent contacts.
7. Provide assistance to students and families during crisis situations.
8. Offer guidance services and information to the local community.

The School District of Hartford Jt. #1 shall not discriminate in the methods, practices and materials used for counseling, testing or evaluating students on the basis of the person's gender, color, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability. Discrimination complaints shall be processed in accordance with established procedures.

LEGAL REFERENCE: Section 118.13 Wisconsin Statutes
PI 9.03(1) Wisconsin Administrative Code

CROSS REFERENCDE: Policy JB – Equal Educational Opportunities
Policy JB-E(1) – Non-Discrimination – Public Notice