

# Taylor High School Counseling Department

The mission of the Taylor High School Counseling Department is to ensure that every student will acquire competencies needed in academics, career, personal and social development to reach their greatest potential in the preparation for lifelong learning in a changing world.

## Meet the Team

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### Freshmen

- Individual Counseling sessions periodically throughout the year
- Classroom Presentations- Career Education, College Readiness
- Large Group Presentations- Academic Information, Career Education, College Readiness
- Introduction to Naviance
- Freshmen Orientation, Student & Parent Meeting
- Testing - PSAT
- Individual Scheduling Conference

### Sophomores

- Individual Counseling sessions periodically throughout the year
- Classroom Presentations- Career Education, College Readiness, Great Oaks
- Large Group Presentations- Academic Information, Career Education, College Readiness, Great Oaks
- Classroom Guidance in Naviance. College exploration. Continued development of resume
- Field trip to Diamond Oaks. Assistance in application process.

### Juniors

- Individual Counseling sessions periodically throughout the year
- Classroom Presentations- Career Education, College Readiness, Postsecondary Planning
- Large Group Presentations- Academic Information, Career Education, College Readiness, Postsecondary Planning, ACT Prep
- Classroom Guidance in Naviance. College exploration. Continued development of resume
- Testing- PSAT, Practice ACT, ACT
- College Representative Visits and Fairs
- Individual scheduling conference. Plan for Graduation

### Seniors

- Individual Counseling sessions periodically throughout the year
- Classroom Presentations- Career Education, College Readiness, Postsecondary Planning
- Large Group Presentations- Academic Information, Career Education, College Readiness, Postsecondary Planning, Scholarships & Financial Aid, Graduation
- Classroom Guidance in Naviance
- College Representative Visits and Fairs
- Completion of College & Scholarship Applications

## The Role of the School Counselor

Taylor High School's Guidance Department is here to assist students and parents in any issue that affects student performance and success both in and out of the classroom. The school counselor can address many issues including but not limited to academic advising, social/emotional issues, referrals to professionals in the Three Rivers district including the social worker and school psychologist, referrals to outside agencies, scheduling, testing, small and large group guidance, new and prospective students, career education & college readiness.

## Parent Information Nights

- College Night
- Financial Aid Night
- College Credit Plus Meeting
- Scheduling Fair

