GUIDANCE AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

The guidance and psychological services of Yale Public Schools shall meet state requirements and encompass the following purposes, objectives, and activities:

1. A program for testing students in Yale Public Schools to identify students with outstanding aptitudes and abilities related to educational and career planning progress will be developed.

2. The services will make available to the students and parents such educational and career information as may be essential for them to understand the various educational and career opportunities and requirements related to the choice of educational programs and careers.

3. Individual counseling will be provided to help the students and parents develop a better understanding of the students' educational and occupational strengths and weaknesses; to help them relate abilities and aptitudes to educational and career opportunities and requirements; to help them make appropriate educational plans including the choice of courses in the secondary school and the choice of an institution providing training above and beyond the high school; to stimulate a desire in the students to utilize aptitudes in attaining appropriate educational and career goals.

4. Individual cumulative folders will be maintained to provide teachers and school administrators such information about individual students or groups of students as may be necessary to enable them to plan curricular and instructional programs appropriate to the educational needs of the student body and to the manpower needs of the state and nation.

5. Counseling will be provided to the individual students regarding personal, social, and emotional problems. The counselor will recognize that many cases require professional psychiatric referral and will assist the students and parents in receiving these services.

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