

Purpose/Background

Guidance and Counseling programs are an essential component of a student's education. Students will have access to a Guidance and Counseling program and services, which are consistent with the standards of expectations set by Alberta Education.

Procedures

1. Principals shall offer school-wide programs consistent with the following Alberta Education policy and documents:
 - 1.1 *From Position to Program: Building a Comprehensive School Guidance and Counseling Program*
 - 1.2 *Comprehensive Guidance and Counseling Programs and Services: Guidelines for Practice*
2. School personnel will meet the qualification and competency requirements for those areas of the program that require specialist training.
3. School personnel shall fulfill the requirements of acceptable guidance counseling practice implicit in the documents listed in clause 1.
4. Principals will allocate adequate resources to satisfy Guidance and Counseling program standards.
5. Guidance and Counseling services provided by the schools are to meet identified needs of students in areas of educational, personal/social, and career development.

Reference:

- Section 3, 11, 18, 32, 33, 52, 53, 196, 197, 222 Education Act
- Freedom of Information and Personal Privacy Act
- Personal Information Protection Act
- Guide to Education ECS to Grade 12