

## School Counseling Philosophy of Rosa Parks Elementary

*We believe that given proper support, all students:*

can achieve at high levels according to their strengths.  
can maximize his or her potential.  
have equal access.  
have dignity and support.

*Counselors are a bridge between students, teachers, and administrators:*

in valuing and encouraging community and parental input.  
in using every opportunity to discuss academic, career, and personal social development.

*Our School Counseling Program:*

is available to every student.  
is age-appropriate.  
selects measurable student competencies based on local need in the areas of academic, career, and personal/social domains.  
is preventative and responsive.  
has a delivery system that includes school guidance curriculum, individual planning, responsive services, and system support.  
includes a plan for intentional guidance for under-served student populations.  
monitors student progress and following through.  
seeks improvement each year based on results data.  
shares successes with stakeholders.  
is culturally sensitive.

*Our school counselors will...*

abide by the professional school counseling ethics as advocated by the American School Counseling Association.  
continually participate in professional development activities essential to maintaining a quality school counseling programs.

### **School Mission Statement**

Each student has the right to learn.

Each teacher has the right to teach.

No student shall keep other students from learning or keep teachers from teaching.

Students are accountable for their own behavior.

No student shall behave in a way that hurts himself/herself or anyone else.

### **Mission Statement of School Counseling Department**

The mission of Rosa Parks Elementary School Counseling Program is to provide every student with the resources and tools to promote and advocate for a positive learning environment in the school. Our goal is to empower all students in their personal, social, academic, and career development. School counselors support that all students have the right to learn and all teachers have the right to teach. Through partnerships with teachers, parents, administrators, nurses, social workers, and other community stakeholders, students will be prepared as problem solvers, critical thinkers, and outstanding citizens of their community with the knowledge, attitudes, and skills to succeed as life long learners.