

The counseling services available in the district's counseling program include the following:

1. Academic counseling, in which the student is assisted in assessing, planning, and implementing his or her immediate and long-range academic goals.
2. Career counseling, in which the student is assisted in assessing his or her aptitudes, abilities, and interests, and is advised concerning the current and future employment trends.
3. Personal counseling, in which the student is assisted with personal, family, or other social concerns, when that assistance is related to the student's education.
4. Coordination with the counseling aspects of other services to students which exist on campus, including but not limited to those services provided in programs for students with special needs, skills testing programs, financial assistance programs, and job placement services.

The following students are strongly recommended to seek assistance from a counselor:

1. All first-time students who are seeking priority registration.
2. Students who enroll to earn degrees, career technical certificates, transfer preparation, or career advancement.
3. Students who need assistance in defining their course of study and developing a comprehensive student educational plan (recommended by the end of the third term and no later than completion of fifteen [15] units).
4. Students identified as at-risk (students enrolled in basic skills courses, students who have not identified an education goal and course of study, or students on academic or progress probation).
5. Students with disabilities who need accommodations through the Disabled Students Programs & Services (DSPS).
6. Financial aid students who must submit a satisfactory academic progress appeal.

7. Students who are receiving support from Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS), Cooperative Agencies Resources for Education (CARE), or California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids (CalWORKs).

Confidentiality of Counseling Information

Information of a personal nature disclosed by a student twelve years of age or older in the process of receiving counseling from a counselor is confidential, and shall not become part of the student record without the written consent of the person who disclosed the confidential information. However, the information shall be disclosed when permitted by applicable law, including but not limited to disclosure as necessary to report child abuse or neglect; reporting to the superintendent/president or other persons when the counselor has reason to believe that disclosure is necessary to avert a clear and present danger to the health, safety, or welfare of the student or other persons living in the college community; reporting information to the superintendent/president or other persons as necessary when the student indicates that a crime involving the likelihood of personal injury or significant or substantial property losses will or has been committed; reporting information to one or more persons specified in a written waiver by the student.