



Bearden High School School Counseling Mission Statement

The mission of the Bearden High School Counseling department is to empower students to create post-secondary and career plans that will equip them to become leaders of tomorrow by inspiring students' emotional and social growth and by challenging and supporting students academically. School counselors work to remove barriers and lower achievement gaps so that opportunity exists for all students to be active participants in their life-long learning.

Bearden High School School Counseling Vision Statement

The vision of the Bearden High School Counseling program is for all students to achieve his or her personal best in high school and beyond. The counseling program will help students gain independence, strengthen coping skills and engage in healthy collaboration amongst a diverse group of stakeholders.

Bearden High School School Counselors Believe:

- In advocating for every student's academic, career and social/emotional development.
- All students should understand post-secondary training and life-long learning are necessary for long-term career success.
- School Counselors will abide by ASCA and ACA Ethical Standards and use the TN State and ASCA National models to drive best practices.
Student developmental needs are best met by having a school counseling program accessible to all students that is planned, managed, delivered, and evaluated by a licensed professional school counselor.
- Data should be analyzed to guide the School Counseling program.
- The School Counseling program helps build a positive school environment by encouraging collaboration among stakeholders.
- All students can achieve and be successful learners.
- All students deserve an adult who will listen, be present, be prepared and be kind.
- School Counselors should model values through actions every day to every student.