

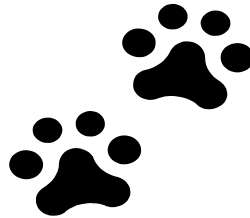


### OUR MISSION

*As an integral part of the International Baccalaureate World School community, it is the mission of the Westland MS counseling department to support the development of “inquiring, knowledgeable, and caring young people who help to create a better and more peaceful world through intercultural understanding and respect.” We work in partnership with all stakeholders to promote every student’s academic success, personal, interpersonal and healthy development, and long term planning and goal setting.*

### OUR VISION

*It is the vision of the Westland Middle School counseling department to provide a safe and welcoming environment where all students are empowered academically, socially and emotionally to reach their personal and academic potential.*



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# Westland Middle School

Comprehensive School  
Counseling Program



## COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

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## DELIVERY OF SERVICES

Our school counseling program supports academic, personal, interpersonal, career, and healthy development through individual counseling, group counseling, and classroom guidance. Counselors collaborate with Westland MS staff members, students, parents, and community professionals to identify student needs and to provide the support and resources necessary to maximize personal and interpersonal growth.



## INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING

Our work with individual students focuses primarily on supporting academic achievement, personal and social development, and educational decision making. Students may make appointments to see their counselor during the school day. Students may also be referred to the counselor by a teacher or parent.

## GROUP COUNSELING

Counseling groups are formed based on need. Groups typically range from 4-8 students and meet over several weeks. The purpose of a counseling group is to support students in the development of a particular skill or to provide emotional support and growth.

## CLASSROOM GUIDANCE

Counselors conduct classroom lessons throughout the year. Each September, counselors meet with students to describe their role and to help students learn how to access support from their counselor. Counselors also work with students on the registration process, career development, the high school 4-year plan, and character building. Additionally, counselors participate in and help to plan “STAR” lessons to build skills in the areas of organization, study skills, respect for self and others, and character education.