

## Who are my guidance counselors ?

Mrs. Yvette Jones, Guidance Director

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Baker's Counseling Department is here not only to serve the needs of the students but also to serve the needs of the parents, guardians, and community. Our office hours are 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. Monday through Friday.

Our Mission:

To provide society with productive citizens by helping students realize their full potential through academic, career, and social development.

We address four areas of school counseling:

### System Support

These are the activities that establish, maintain, and enhance the total school counseling program.

- School Improvement
- Professional Development
- Family Involvement
- Consultation and Collaboration
- Community Outreach
- Curriculum Planning

The lessons are designed for achievement of knowledge, and skills in career, academic, personal and social development.

- Classroom Instruction
- Standards-Based Lessons
- Interdisciplinary Curriculum
- Group Activities
- Family Workshops
- Individual Planning

We provide a Career and Graduation Plan for every student grades 6-8, in collaboration with family and a counselor.

- Career Counseling and Curriculum
- Career/Occupation Information
- Education and Career Assessment
- Free GA College 411 and GCIS access
- Individual Graduation Plans
- Seamless Transition to High School Options

Responsive Services Plans that meets the immediate needs of students.

- Individual and Small Group Counseling
- Crisis Counseling/Response
- Consultation
- Referrals for Students & Families

#### Helpful Links:

##### Georgia Career Information Center

The Georgia Career Information Center operates the Georgia Career Information System (GCIS). Working with educational and labor market professionals, GCIS contains assessments, explorations, and search strategies as well as the most comprehensive and accurate state and national occupational and educational information. In addition to career management tools for individuals, tools are available to assist administrators.

##### The American School Counseling Association

The American School Counselor Association (ASCA) supports school counselors' efforts to help students focus on academic, personal/social and career development so they achieve success in school and are prepared to lead fulfilling lives as responsible members of society. ASCA provides professional development, publications and other resources, research and advocacy to more than 23,000 professional school counselors around the globe.

##### The American Counseling Association

The American Counseling Association is dedicated to the growth and development of the counseling profession and those who are served.