WEST END ACADEMY Performance Learning Center COUNSELOR INDIVIDUAL GUIDANCE PLAN

2014-2015

Philosophy

The guidance program believes that all students have the ability to achieve, grow, and excel. The counselor serves as an advocate for every student. Data helps to drive decisions to improve educational experiences and services for all students. Counselor abides by the Georgia Professional School Counseling Ethics as advocated by the American School Counselor Association. Counselor participates in on going professional development to maintain a quality school counseling program.

Domain: Academic Development

Standard: A: Student will acquire the attitude, knowledge and skills that contribute to effective learning in school and across the life span.

Aligned with school targets impact on student achievement

Developmental Objectives	Activities	Time-Frame	Person Responsible	Evaluation Procedures
Attendance:	- Parent/student conference(s)	Monthly	School Counselor, CIS	Infinite Campus attendance report(s)
To increase the days students are present from [2013-2014	- Warning letter(s) mailed to parent or guardian		Resource Coordinator,	
goal] of 80 percent to 85 percent for the 2014-2015 year.	- Advisement	Daily	School Social Worker,	Student sign-in attendance logs
	- Reminders during Morning Motivation/Group Guidance		and/or Teacher(s)	
To increase the average daily attendance from 94 percent in	- Reinforce/Emphasize during Parent Nights		`,	
the 2013-2014 year to 95 percent for the 2014-2015 school	- Calls (home/work) to parents regarding students' absences			
year.	- Refer excessive absent students to CIS Resource Coordinator and/or			
	APS Social Worker			
	- Attendance incentive program – CIS			
	- Maintain updated student data forms		SST Chairperson,	SST Documentation in student's folder
To provide assistance to the Student Support Team	- Set up SST Meetings for appropriate students	SST Meetings - Fridays	Counselor, Teacher(s)	

Domain: Academic Development

Standard: B1: Student will complete school with the academic preparation essential to choose from a wide range of substantial post-secondary options, including college.

Aligned with school targets impact on student achievement

Developmental Objectives	Activities	Time-Frame	Person	Evaluation
			Responsible	Procedures
To increase the number of students passing the End-Of-Course-Tests/End of Course Milestones	 Teacher will provide "extra-help sessions" for students referred by counselor. Sessions will be available in the mornings, during lunch period, after-school (3:30-4:00 pm), and/or on selected Saturdays Letter(s) to parents or guardian informing them about the importance of taking the EOCT/EOC Milestone testing Letter(s) will be provided to students, informing them when they are scheduled to take their test(s) All students will be encouraged to attend school regularly - Orientation Counselor will serve as Test Coordinator to keep abreast of all students' test status throughout the year Provide USA Test Prep logon information to teachers and students 	See APS 2014-2015 Testing Calendar On-going	School Counselor/Lead Test Coordinator Teachers CIS Resource Coordinator Principal	Fall/Winter 2014 Test Scores and Spring 2015 Test Scores

Domain: Academic Development

Standard: B2: Student will complete school with the academic preparation essential to choose from a wide range of substantial post-secondary options, including college.

Aligned with school targets impact on student achievement

Developmental Objectives	Activities	Time-Frame	Person Responsible	Evaluation Procedures
To increase the percent of students passing the Georgia High School Writing Test For students in cohort 2009-2010 and 2010-2011 increase the percent passing the [fazing out] GHSGT by at least 90 percent of the graduating seniors in these cohorts (To assist with closing the achievement gap).	 Teacher will provide "extra-help sessions" for students referred by counselor. Sessions will be available in the mornings, during lunch period, after-school (3:30-4:00 pm), and/or on selected Saturdays Letter(s) to parents or guardian informing them about the importance of passing all parts of the Georgia High School Graduation Test Letter(s) will be provided to students, informing them when they are scheduled to take their test(s) All students will be encouraged to attend school regularly - Orientation Counselor will serve as Test Coordinator to keep abreast of all students' test status throughout the year Provide USA Test Prep logon information to teachers and students Provide GHSGT Waivers for eligible students 	See APS 2014-2015 Testing Calendar On-going On-going	School Counselor/Lead Test Coordinator Teachers/Facilitators CIS Resource Coordinator Principal Counselor	Fall/Winter 2014 Test Scores and Spring 2015 Test Scores

Domain: Academic Development
Standard: C: Students will understand the relationship of academics to the world of work and to life at home and in the community.

Aligned with school targets impact on student achievement

Developmental Objectives	Activities	Time-Frame	Person Responsible	Evaluation Procedures
All students will be encouraged to participate in the school-wide service learning projects – 1) No Place for Hate	Selected students will participate in Life Skills, Leadership, and/or advisement groups and cover the No Place for Hate materials	Year Long Event	Counselor, Service Coordinator,	List of Students in Life Skills Group, and Leadership Group
2) WEA Urban Garden	Students will be encouraged to work in the West End Urban Garden under the leadership group. They will learn how to care for the soil and grow vegetables/plants.	Year Long	Teacher/Facilitators, Leadership Administrator(s), Students	Log sheets with names and dates of students who worked in the garden.
	Students and staff will complete the No Place for Hate "Assessing Yourself & Your School Checklist	September - December		Completed surveys

Domain: Career Development

Standard: A: Student will acquire the skills to investigate the world of work in relation to knowledge of self and to make informed career decisions.

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Developmental Objectives	Activities	Time-Frame	Person
			Responsible
To encourage all junior and senior students to use the	- Students will be introduced to how to access and utilize the career exploration	First/Second	Counselor
Georgia Career Information Center, and/or GACollege411	tools through advisement in the career center. Counselor will demonstrate how	Semesters	
Internet resources to help explore, plan, apply and pay for	to access each website. The website will be given to students as a handout		
post-secondary opportunities.			
	- Counselor will encourage interested students to sign-up to take		
To encourage junior and senior students to take the	the ASVAB	October	Counselor
ASVAB as a means to explore their career interest.			
·	- Students will have an opportunity to hear about various careers from	November	Counselor will coordinate the week-long event
To encourage all junior and senior students to participate	motivational speakers/business personnel who are actually working in their		
in the College and Career Motivation Week.	career area.		

Domain: Career Development

Standard: A2: Student will acquire the skills to investigate the world of work in relation to knowledge of self and to make informed career decisions.

Aligned with school targets impact on student achievement

Developmental Objectives	Activities	Time-Frame	Person Responsible	Evaluation Procedures
To encourage 100% of students to practice dressing for success for the world of work.	 Each Wednesday students will be encouraged to dress for success Students will be given "dress for success guidelines" in an Advisement Session. Student will be encouraged to dress for success when attending various 	Wednesdays First/Second Semesters On-going	Counselor Service Coordinator School	Observation
To increase the number of students completing community service hours to meet graduation requirement	functions (i.e. field trips to college fairs, luncheons, and other activities. - School Closet is available for students who made need assistance dressing for success. Students needing community service hours will assist with organization and managing the School Closet. - Students will volunteer with school clean up opportunities, urban garden, the School Closet, the Logan Wilkes Foundation, West End Academy Leadership Program, assisting teachers, providing tutor services to other students, etc	On-going	Facilitators Students	Students completing Community Service Hours - IC

Domain: Career Development

Standard: A3: Student will acquire the skills to investigate the world of work in relation to knowledge of self and to make informed career decisions.

Aligned with school targets impact on student achievement

Developmental Objectives	Activities	Time-Frame	Person Responsible	Evaluation Procedures
To provide opportunities for students to interview with various technical colleges, and universities through the	Students will participate in field trips as it pertains to colleges of interest. They will also be exposed to various institutions of higher learning through	College Fairs: September and October	School Counselor	Parent Permission Slips
PROBE College Fair, FAMU Recruitment Fair, and visiting college representative, and through college	visits of various representatives to the WEA. Some of the colleges and universities we will visit this year are: Atlanta Metropolitan, Atlanta Technical	College Campus Visits:	Resource Coordinator (when possible)	List of Participants
campus visits, etc	College, Gordon, and Georgia Southern State University. - Students will have access to a file cabinet with college admission	October and February		Number of students completing college applications
	 information (i.e. ACT and SAT Registration and Study Guides) Some college/university applications will be available for students to practice completing forms and applying for admission. 	College Representatives Visits		
		On-going		

Domain: Career Development

Standard: A4: Student will acquire the skills to investigate the world of work in relation to knowledge of self and to make informed career decisions.

Aligned with school targets impact on student achievement

Developmental Objectives	Activities	Time-Frame	Person Responsible	Evaluation Procedures
To introduce students to and/or encourage students to participate in an apprenticeship program and/or	 Various representatives who offer apprenticeships and/or internship opportunities will be invited to speak to students. 	First/Second Semesters	School Counselor	Sign-up Logs
internship/OJT/WBL opportunities through the CTAE program	Interested and eligible students may apply. Some of the agencies maybe the Police Cadet Programs, the Year-Up Program, Arthur Blanks' Skills Program, Go Build Georgia Program, Leadership Luncheons, Mayor's Youth Program/Atlanta Workforce Development, The Logan Wilkes Program and various other programs and job opportunities afforded students through the WBL Program under the Technology Career Teacher and/or Communities In Schools of Atlanta. - Student will be assigned to the WBL course(s) by counselor as their schedule/programs of study permit.	On-going	Technology Career Teacher Resource Coordinator Principal	Student Schedules

Domain: Personal/Social Development

Standard: A: Student will acquire the knowledge, attitude and interpersonal skills to help them understand and respect self and others.

Aligned with school targets impact on student achievement

Developmental Objectives	Activities	Time-Frame	Person	Evaluation
			Responsible	Procedures
To encourage students to participate in morning	- Advisors/Facilitators will use the Morning Motivation activities to reinforce	First/Second Semesters	School Counselor	School Culture
motivation/advisement to make decisions, set goals and	respecting one's self and other students			
take the necessary actions to achieve their goals.	- School culture will promote respect	On-going	Resource Coordinator	Student Survey
	- No Place for Hate activities will be promoted through the Morning			·
	Motivation			