2411 GUIDANCE COUNSELING (M)

A program of guidance and counseling, including developmental career guidance and exploration, shall be offered to all pupils in this school district and shall be conducted by certified guidance personnel. The guidance counseling program shall be posted on the www.rtnj.org website.

The Superintendent is directed to implement a guidance program that carries out the purposes of this policy and:

- 1. Involves teaching staff members at all appropriate levels;
- 2. Honors the individuality of each pupil;
- 3. Is integrated with the total educational program;
- 4. Is coordinated with available resources of the community;
- 5. Provides for cooperation of school staff with parent(s) or legal guardian(s) and shares parents' or legal guardians' concern for the development of their children;
- 6. Provides for the means of sharing information among appropriate staff members in the pupil's interest;
- 7. Is available equitably to all pupils and prohibits biased counseling and the use of materials that discriminate among pupils on the basis of their race, color, creed, religion, national origin, ancestry, age, marital status, affectational or sexual orientation or sex, social or economic status, or disability; and
- 8. Establishes a referral system that utilizes all the aid the schools and community offer, guards the privacy of the pupil, and monitors the efficacy of such referrals.

N.J.A.C. 6A:19-1.2; 6A:8-2.2 N.J.A.C. 6A:7-1.7; 6A:8-3.2

Adopted