

BCPS SCHOOL COUNSELING BY THE NUMBERS



COUNSELORS HELP CHILDREN GROW!

Professional School Counselors support the academic, career and social-emotional development of all students by assuring equitable access to high quality educational opportunities and creating safe learning environments. Professional School Counselors partner with teachers, administrators, families and other stakeholders to develop and navigate rigorous academic and post-secondary plans that prepare students to graduate, on time, as globally competitive citizens ready for college, careers, and life.

SCHOOLS



ELEMENTARY

Elementary Schools - 106
Elementary School Counselors – 127
Elementary School Students – 55,553



MIDDLE

Middle Schools - 27
Middle School Counselors – 75
Middle School Students – 23, 617



HIGH

High Schools - 24
High School Counselors – 95
High School Students – 30,736

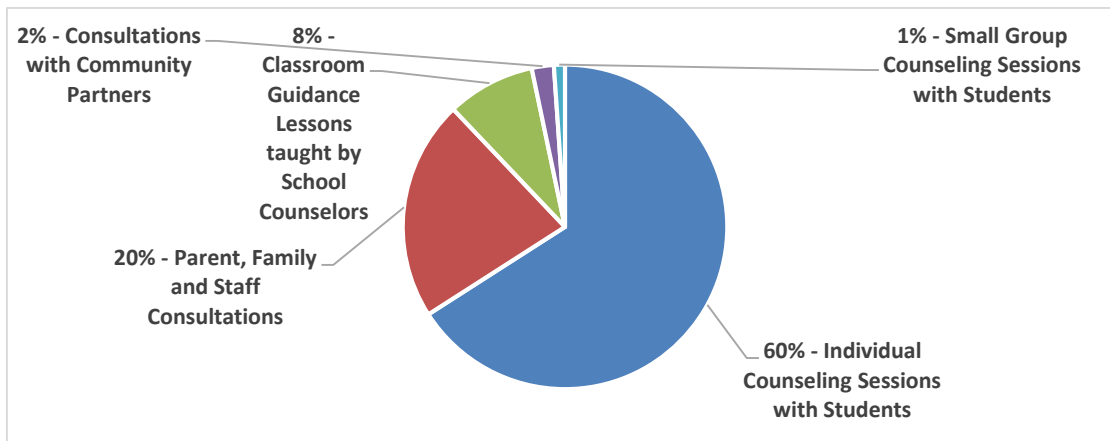
SPECIAL PLACEMENTS

Special Education Schools – 4
Special Education School Counselors – 2
Special Education School Students – 418

Centers – 9
School Counselors at Centers – 8
Students at Centers – 882

Programs – 3
Counselors for Programs – 4

SCHOOL COUNSELOR USE of TIME



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SCHOOL COUNSELING SERVICES



ACADEMIC SUPPORT

- Academic Advisement Sessions
- 6 Year Planning Meetings – Grades 7 – 12
- School Transition Support
- Instruction in Learning Habits
- Teacher Consultation
- Instruction in Test Taking Skills



SOCIAL/EMOTIONAL SUPPORT

- Social/Emotional Counseling Sessions
- Responsive Services
- Referrals to Outside Services
- Coordination with Outside Mental Health Providers
- Instruction in Social Emotional Learning



COLLEGE & CAREER READINESS

- College and Career Counseling Sessions
- Instruction in Goal Setting
- College Planning and Application Support
- Financial Aid Information
- Letters of Recommendation
- Instruction in Career Pathways

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

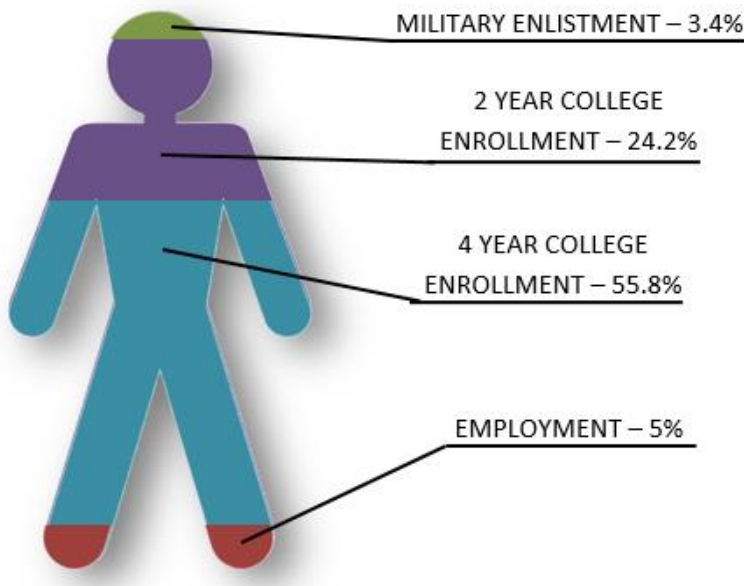
- Enrollment & Withdrawal Conferences
- Required Parent Conferences
- Social Services Referrals
- Parent Information Nights
- Coordination of Service Programs
- Career Exploration Events
- Character Education Program Implementation



- 36.9% of students polled stated that they reviewed or updated their 6 Year Plan 3 or more times.
- 28% of students polled indicated that they would be the first in their family to attend college.
- The Maryland State Department of Education reported an estimated 5% increase in the FAFSA Completion Percentage for BCPS students during the 2017/2018 cycle.
- The Graduating Class of 2017 earned a total in \$153,706,069 in Scholarship Funds.

SENIOR GRADUATION SURVEY RESULTS

POST-SECONDARY PLANS



- **“School Counselor”** was the second most popular response to “Who influenced your post-secondary planning,” second only to “Parent/Guardian.”
- Students indicated that the most helpful School Counseling post-secondary planning service is the **individual academic advising sessions**.
- **74%** of students surveyed rated the services they received from their School Counseling Office as a 4 or a 5 on a 5 point rating scale. **48%** of students gave their School Counseling Office the highest possible score.
- **53%** of students surveyed stated that they met with their School Counselor 4 or more times during their Senior year. 1,261 students met with their counselor **7 or more times**.

Data Sources

School Counselor Use of Time Survey Semester 1 (data collected through Microsoft Office 365 survey), January 2017.
School Counselor Use of Time Survey Semester 2 (data collected through Microsoft Office 365 survey), June 2017.
Maryland State Department of Education Graduation Survey 2017 (data collected through Naviance survey), May 2017.