



Bettendorf  
Community  
School District

## K-12 School Counseling Belief Statements

We believe that:

- Students' ability to learn is dependent upon having their basic needs met.
- All students have the right to an emotionally and physically safe learning environment.
- Students benefit from a learning environment of mutual respect.
- Critical thinking is an essential skill.
- Students learn in different ways.
- Each student needs an advocate in his/her life.
- A positive home/school relationship promotes student success.
- Counseling services are for all students.
- Everyone in the school environment is responsible for ensuring that students receive counseling services.
- School/community partnerships enhance counseling services.
- The counseling program promotes the development of skilled, independent, healthy, life-long learners.
- An effective counseling curriculum is developmental, sequential, and comprehensive.
- An effective counseling program responds to individual and group needs.
- Career/life planning is an ongoing process in which students are introduced to and explore many vocational options.

***We believe that the K-12 Counseling Program in the Bettendorf Community School District is available to ALL students and will ensure that our students graduate college, career, and citizen ready!***