

## **PHILOSOPHY AND PURPOSE**

The Guidance and Counseling Program at Livingston Jr. High School is designed to enhance the development of all children in grades PreK-8 into successful, productive members of an ever-challenging society. To this task we commit ourselves to developing an environment that fosters recognizing the individual needs, abilities and possibilities of each child. Through our program we strive to provide students the opportunity to enhance their learning through activities planned in the following three areas:

Academic Development

Career Development

Personal/Social Development

The program is based on the beliefs that:

Each child is a unique individual.

Guidance and counseling activities

are shared responsibilities of the

total staff, and

The success of the program is

based on objective evaluation

procedures and criteria.

## **YOUR COUNSELOR CAN ASSIST STUDENTS. . . .**

- Developmentally, to prevent problems from occurring.
- Understand abilities and limitations;
- Understand themselves and others to strengthen cooperation and interaction with others;
- Learn to make decisions;
- Develop skills in getting along with others in the classroom.

## **PARENTS. . .**

- Learn about their child's growth and development.
- Appreciate their child's abilities, limitations, and progress in school.
- Participate in parent involvement activities to further enhance parent/child relationships.

## **SCHOOL STAFF. . .**

- Remove barriers so children can learn.
- Understand and meet individual needs.
- Understand children and their behavior.
- Initiate classroom guidance activities for greater understanding of self and others.
- Provide special help for students when needed.

Dear Parents;

My name is Kenyetta Jones. I am the Guidance Counselor at your child's school. It is my responsibility to help your child get the best education possible.

A good education includes not only learning to read, write, and do math, but also learning good social skills and choosing a future career. This means learning how to get along with other children, making good choices, controlling anger, accepting responsibility, and being aware of their strengths and weaknesses. Many of these skills are taught at home. It is my intent to supplement home learning with individual, small group and classroom guidance.

It is important to remember that when school personnel and parents work together, it is a winning combination for children. All children deserve to be winners, and together we can help them realize their goals.

Thank you for allowing me the opportunity to make a difference in your child's life.

Kenyetta Jones  
School Counselor

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL  
COUNSELORS HELP BY. . . .

Working with students individually  
and in groups to promote growth  
in:

Self-understanding and acceptance;

Positive attitudes toward self, family  
And community;

Academic skills;

Career Awareness;

Motivation for success in school;

Decision-making skills;

Study skills, and

Cooperation between the home and  
School;

Consulting with parents/teachers  
and their children;

Coordinating referrals to school  
and community agencies;

Consulting with parents on topics  
of common interest and concern.

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COUNSELOR'S CREED  
I WILL:

Listen with my whole being.  
Communicate to every student I meet  
that each is special and precious in my  
eyes.

Encourage and support the students  
when they feel despair.

Correct gently and point them in a  
direction that is true to their own life  
spirit.

Parent those who need it and befriend  
those who have lost faith in adults.

Keep my promises to them.

Be there when everyone else loses heart  
and turns away from them.

Point their eyes to their own beautiful  
selves.

Affirm every creative spark that comes  
from their mouths and their actions.

Believe in student's dreams and persist  
in assisting them to imagine what some  
say is impossible.

See miracles that they perform in  
everyday tasks at home and at school.  
Remind the students that they can get  
along with each other no matter what  
the problem.

Give the students I meet each day a  
chance to be happy, successful, and  
caring people.

**LOVE THE STUDENTS ALWAYS!!!**

**Livingston Jr. High School**  
**Livingston, Alabama**

**Comprehensive Guidance  
And  
Counseling Plan**



**Mr. Tramene Maye, Principal**  
**Ms. Devin Embry, Asst. Principal**

**Kenyetta Jones**  
**School Counselor**

**Mrs. Grace Hall-King**  
**Counselor Coordinator**

**Dr. Tyrone Yarbrough**  
**Superintendent**

