

J.M. Wright Counseling Department 2025 – 2026 Student Response Services

The mission of the J.M. Wright School Counseling Department is to provide comprehensive student-response-services through student and family engagement, staff and community partnerships: we promote trade and academic programing, college and career readiness, social-emotional well-being.

The School Counseling Department comprises certified/licensed counseling, and support personnel.

- **Dr. Madrine Clennon- Straker, Director**

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Responsible for the overall operations and department responsibilities, admission, recruitment, coordinating and supervising the school counseling department student response services, i.e., college/career, social-emotional and academic components.

School Counselors support every student's social/emotional, career, and academic needs through individual, group, and classroom counseling, and are crisis response team members

- Mrs. Marissa Krebs

School Counselor for Freshmen and Juniors

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- Mr. Alex Queralt

School Counselor for Sophomores and Seniors

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Social Worker - Provides counseling for students with IEP/504 services, organizes school-wide social-emotional learning programs and events, coordinates Student Assistant Team (SAT) processes, a crisis response team member

- **Mrs. Christine Marin**

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School Psychologist - Provides counseling for students with IEP/504 services, coordinates 504 and College Board SSD processes, administers psychological testing and assessments, a crisis response team member

- **Ms. Kianna Davis**

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School Counseling Secretary – PowerSchool, clerical support & student schedule liaison

- **Ms. Shacoya O'Banner**

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| Monthly Events AUGUST/ SEPTEMBER | Family Engagement | 9th grade Counselor –Krebs | 10th grade Counselor -Queralt | 11th grade Counselor -Krebs | 12th grade Counselor- Queralt |
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| Freshmen Orientation – 1st Day of School | | Grade Level Assembly | Grade Level Assembly | Grade Level Assembly | Grade Level Assembly |
| Middle Counselors’ Breakfast Exploratory- Phase 1 Post-Secondary School Planning Grade 9- Developmental Lesson/DESSA Screener | Parent Square Communications School Counseling Updates Attendance intervention | Lesson: Intro to High School Assessment: DESSA mini screener | Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Student Individual Planning or Small Groups Senior College/Postsecondary School Presentations College Rep. Visits Sessions Senior Class Presentation - Naviance Career/College ASVAP-Career Exploration Program Updates |

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| OCTOBER EVENTS | Family Engagement | 9th grade Counselor –Krebs | 10th grade Counselor -Queralt | 11th grade Counselor -Krebs | 12th grade Counselor-Queralt |
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| Middle School Recruitment Warriors Welcome Night Event Grade 12 - Developmental Lesson | “Quarter 1 - Performance Monitoring” - PowerSchool Grades Updates – via Parent Square, Emails or Phone Calls Attendance intervention – weekly Warriors Welcome Night- October 9, 2025 “Meet Your Child’s Teacher” | Freshmen Exploratory Progress Monitoring Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Group sessions on PostSecondary School Planning & Understanding Naviance Tools Group sessions on Naviance/requesting transcript & letter of recommendation & College Planning/Career Lesson: Work Life Balance |

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| NOVEMBER EVENTS | <i>Family Engagement</i> | <i>9th grade Counselor –Krebs</i> | <i>10th grade Counselor -Queralt</i> | <i>11th grade Counselor -Krebs</i> | <i>12th grade Counselor-Queralt</i> |
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| <i>Class of 2031 Open House</i> <i>Exploratory Phase 2</i> <i>FAFSA Help Sessions</i> <i>College Application- Help Sessions</i> <i>Incoming Admission/Appli cation Starts</i> <i>Shop Selection Night</i> <i>Grade 9 - Developmental Lesson & Assessment</i> | <i>Class or 2031 Open House Event</i> Application & Admission Communications Quarter 1 - Performance Monitoring” Parent- School Connections – via Parent Square, Emails or Phone Calls Shop Selection Night – “Celebration” Attendance intervention –weekly | Q1 Performance – Parent Meetings Freshmen Exploratory progress monitory Lesson: Developing Good Academic Habits Assessment: Learning Styles Inventory | Q1 Performance – Parent Meetings Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Q1 Performance – Parent Meetings Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Q1 Performance – Parent Meetings FAFSA Completion Sessions Group sessions for filling out college applications & Understanding Naviance Tools Group Lesson on Naviance/requesting transcript & letter of recommendation |

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| DECEMBER/ JANUARY - EVENTS | Family Engagement | 9th grade Counselor –Krebs | 10th grade Counselor -Queralt | 11th grade Counselor -Krebs | 12th grade Counselor-Queralt |
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| Grade 10 Developmental Lesson and Assessment | Winter Credit Recovery <i>Admission and Application Updates</i> <i>Q2 Grades Monitoring/ Reporting</i> | Exploratory 3 Progress Monitoring Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Student Individual Planning or Small Groups Lesson: Developing Your Brand Assessment: Do What You Are | Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Winter Credit Recovery Postsecondary School planning & application Group sessions for FAESA. Rep. |
| Norwalk High School Partnership Spring Semester Application Parent -Teacher Conference February 5, 2025 Grade 11 Developmental Lesson and Assessment | Class of 2031 Application Deadline Updates NCC HS/Partnership Attendance Intervention –weekly | Next School Year Course Registration Classroom Presentations Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Next School Year Course Registration Classroom Presentations Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Next School Year Course Registration Classroom Presentations Student Individual Planning or Small Groups Lesson: Post-Secondary Pathways Assessment: College & Career Search Super Match Course Registration | Final Post-Secondary School Application Out the Door Final Group sessions for FAESA Group session on Navigating NCC applications or other community college applications |

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| <i>FEBRUARY/ MARCH EVENTS</i> | <i>Family Engagement</i> | <i>9th grade Counselor –Krebs</i> | <i>10th grade Counselor -Queralt</i> | <i>11th grade Counselor -Krebs</i> | <i>12th grade Counselor-Queralt</i> |
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| <i>Admissions Record Collection</i> | <i>Admission/Application Updates</i> | Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Student Individual Planning or Small Groups | Scholarship Promotion through trades or senior classes |
| <i>Attendance engagement</i> | PostSecondary School Scholarship Promotion and Application | | Developmental Lesson: Resume Writing | | Group sessions for filling out scholarships |
| <i>Naviance Timeline Updates</i> | Parent/School Counseling Roundtable Conversation - (Breakfast) | | | | Lesson: Becoming an Adult |
| <i>Grade 10 Developmental Lesson</i> | Q1 Performance – Parent Meetings | | | | |
| <i>Grade 12 Developmental Lesson</i> | | | | | |

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| APRIL/MAY/JUNE EVENTS | <i>Family Engagement</i> | <i>9th grade Counselor –Krebs</i> | <i>10th grade Counselor -Queralt</i> | <i>11th grade Counselor -Krebs</i> | <i>12th grade Counselor-Queralt</i> |
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| <i>Incoming Freshmen Orientation</i> <i>12 Grade Class Trip to Norwalk College</i> <div style="background-color: #ADD8E6; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"><i>Grade 9 Developmental Lesson</i></div> <div style="background-color: #FF8C00; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"><i>Grade 10 Developmental Lesson</i></div> <div style="background-color: #90EE90; padding: 2px; text-align: center;"><i>Grade 11 Developmental Lessons</i></div> | <i>Class of 2031 Incoming Student Orientation</i> Admission and Application Updates <i>Summer School Credit Recovery Updates</i> Counselor – Parent Meetings <i>IEP/504 Transition Meetings</i> | <i>Lesson: Safe Use of Technology</i> | <i>Student Individual Planning or Small Groups</i> <i>Lesson: Healthy Relationships</i> | <i>Student Individual Planning or Small Groups</i> <i>Lesson: Managing Stress and Anxiety</i> NCC Partnership Event - Assist | <i>Senior CAPSTONE –“Career Portfolio Presentations”</i> |
| <i>Final Admissions Records Review</i> <div style="background-color: #FFFF00; height: 15px; width: 100%;"></div> | Award Ceremony -June 5, 2026 Graduation -June - TBD Summer school registration | Schedule Summer School Credit Recovery | Schedule Summer School Credit Recovery | Schedule Summer School Credit Recovery | <i>Senior Survey</i> |

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School Psychologist/Social Worker at a Glance (main/route tasks/events)

| | August - September | October - November | December - January | February - March | April - May |
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| School Social Worker | Special Education Counseling Social Emotional Lessons/Schoolwide Sessions Student Assistant Team | Special Education Counseling Social Emotional Lessons/Schoolwide Sessions Student Assistant Team | Special Education Counseling Social Emotional Lessons/Schoolwide Sessions Student Assistant Team | Special Education Counseling Social Emotional Lessons/Schoolwide Sessions Student Assistant Team | Special Education Counseling Social Emotional Lessons/Schoolwide Sessions Student Assistant Team |
| School Psychologist | <i>Psychological Testing</i> <i>Special Education Counseling</i> <i>SSD -Coordinator</i> <i>504 Coordinator</i> | Psychological Testing Special Education Counseling SSD -Coordinator 504 Coordinator | Psychological Testing Special Education Counseling SSD -Coordinator 504 Coordinator | Psychological Testing Special Education Counseling SSD -Coordinator 504 Coordinator | Psychological Testing Special Education Counseling SSD -Coordinator 504 Coordinator |