

Round Rock Christian Academy Guidance Services

Secondary

Round Rock Christian Academy offers a variety of Guidance Counseling services to assist students in planning and preparing for college in an effort to empower students to feel confident in the college application and acceptance process

Guidance Services by Grade Level

Sixth Grade:	Class Advisory and March Madness College Awareness Week
Seventh Grade:	Class Advisory and March Madness College Awareness Week
Eighth Grade:	Class Advisory, March Madness College Awareness Week, College Board's Readistep College Readiness Assessment, and High School Orientation
Ninth Grade:	Class Advisory, attend RRISD Career Exploration Fair, PSAT, introduced to GuidedPath college search tool, and summer advising
Tenth Grade:	Class Advisory, PSAT, GuidedPath services, ACC Dual Credit Orientation, and summer advising
Eleventh Grade:	Class Advisory, PSAT, GuidedPath services, Junior College Information Night, and summer advising
Twelfth Grade:	Class Advisory, GuidedPath services, Letters of Recommendation, and summer advising

Detail of Guidance Services

Class Advisory

Grades 6-12 meet once a week in class advisory. Class Advisory strives to meet four objectives in helping achieve college and career readiness. These goals include: developing and maintaining relationships with an adult mentor, providing an opportunity to reflect upon academic progress and reaching academic goals, identifying and developing the necessary attitudes, behaviors, and skills in school to prepare for college, guiding students to make thoughtful decisions about their future. Each grade level has specific curriculum to help achieve the class advisory goals.

6th- Middle School Survival Skills

7th Study Skills

8th- Preparing for College: Introduction

9th –Career Exploration

10th- Preparing for College

11th- College Applications

12th- Transition from High School to College

College Visits:

Round Rock Christian Academy hosts college representatives from various universities to speak to the Juniors and Seniors

GuidedPath:

GuidedPath is an online college planning tool that enables students to take ownership of their college planning and deadlines by putting everything needed for college planning in one place. This tool allows students to explore, compare, assess and organize colleges so that the student can make a well-informed decision about their college selection.

Junior College Information Night

Junior College information night is held in early in the fall semester. Parents and their students attend to discover what steps are necessary to feel confident in the college search, application and acceptance process. The topics covered are college preparation, entrance tests, college search, college application, essay and resume, and financial aide.

PSAT/NMSQT:

All students grades 9-11 are administered the PSAT/NMSQT. This test assesses the critical reading, mathematics, and writing skills students need for college and beyond. It provides detailed feedback on skills, access to scholarships and personalized online tools, and excellent practice for the SAT.

ReadiStep:

All students in the 8th grade are administered the Readistep test. This test measures the skills students need to be on track for success in college and careers. Readistep is the first step on the College Board's College Readiness Pathway — an integrated series of assessments that includes the PSAT/NMSQT and the SAT. Together, these assessments

measure a progression of skills and help schools and districts make targeted interventions at critical points in a student's career.

Round Rock ISD Partners In Education Foundation Career Exploration:

All students in the 9th grade attend this event to learn more about potential careers and postsecondary educational options in the Central Texas Area.

Summer Advising:

Students entering grades 9-12 meet individually during the summer with the secondary principal to discuss high school course selection, diploma plan selection, dual-credit courses, and AP courses and how these choices impact the student's future academic goals.

Professional Counseling Services:

In some cases, a student may require more intensive services to help guide he/she through the emotions the student is experiencing. If this is the case, the principal may ask for guidance from a pastor and/or require that the student seek professional counseling services such as the Timothy Center, a Christian based counseling center.