

A Special Relationship



During the high school years, students change virtually anything: teachers, friends, sports, and activities. But there is one thing that remains constant--their guidance counselor. "A guidance counselor is someone whose main goal is to help you if you are having schedule or personal problems. They also help you choose a college that is right for you," senior Adam Hofeler said. "I guess their entire job is to care."

Although students visit their counselors throughout high school for things like schedule changes, most become closest to their guidance counselors when preparing for college. "My guidance counselor, Ms. Stacy helped me decide what colleges to apply to, how to apply for financial aid, and what scholarships to apply for," senior Grieta Kurens stated. "Without her help, I would have been swamped with work, decisions, and most of all- stress."

During their senior year, students could frequently be found filling out guidance passes so that they could see their counselors. As senior

Julie Lederach said, "It seems like I see my counselor more these days than I see my mom."

"Mr. Stewart was a key part in selecting a college. He helped me with all the work that goes along with the applications," senior Jason Ullner commented. "He was always available if I needed help, or if I just wanted to talk about my choices for college."

Some juniors are already receiving help for the college selection process to help lessen the work later. Junior Erica Preston said, "Mr. Canter is helping to make the selection process easier. While many present juniors are going to be flooded with work, I will be able to relax and enjoy my senior year."

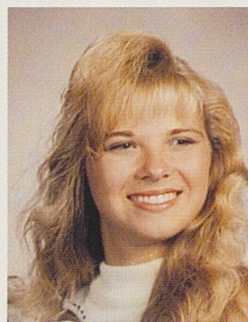
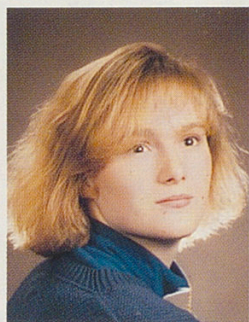
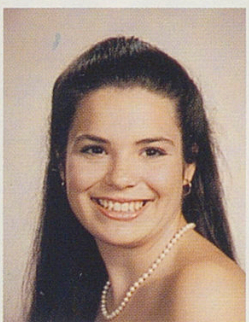
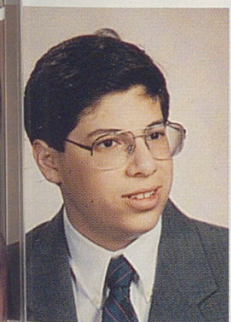
Throughout high school, students can always receive aid from their guidance counselor whether it be for academic or personal problems, but senior year they become even more valuable. Guidance counselors possess the information needed to make the college selection process faster and easier.

by Carly Bella



Dustin Trickett asks counselor Sherry Case about his scholarship opportunities. During the year, seniors became very familiar with their counselors. They went to them weekly to check on schedules, college applications, and financial aid.

Sean Mandell completes a Guidance Pass in hopes of seeing his counselor. The busy months of the college search year caused some students sleepless nights as they waited to see their counselor.



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