

**STUDENT SERVICES**

**AP 5110 COUNSELING SERVICES**

**References:**

Education Code Section 72620;  
Title 5 Section 51018

The counseling services available in the District’s counseling program include at least the following:

- Academic and career/technical counseling, in which students are assisted in assessing, planning, and implementing their immediate and long-range academic goals. Academic and career/technical counseling is available to students seeking assistance with scheduling or clarification of requirements for graduation or transfer.
- Career counseling and courses, in which students are assisted in assessing, understanding, and developing their aptitudes, abilities, skills, values, and interests, and are advised concerning the current and future employment trends and services.
- Personal counseling, in which students are provided assistance related to their educational progress.
- Coordination with the counseling aspects of other services to students which exist on campus, including but not limited to those services provided in programs for students with special needs, skills testing programs, financial assistance programs, and job placement services.

**Confidentiality of Counseling Information**

Information of a personal nature disclosed by a student 12 years of age or older in the process of receiving counseling from a counselor is confidential, and shall not become part of the student record without the written consent of the person who disclosed the confidential information. However, the information shall be disclosed when permitted by applicable law, including but not limited to disclosure as necessary to report child abuse or neglect; reporting to the Superintendent/President or other persons when the counselor has reason to believe that disclosure is necessary to avert a clear and present danger to the health, safety, or welfare of the student or other persons living in the College District community; reporting information to the Superintendent/President or other persons as necessary when the student indicates that a crime involving the likelihood of personal injury or significant or substantial property losses will or has been

35 committed; reporting information to one or more persons specified in a written waiver by  
36 the student.

37 Also refer to the Palomar College Catalog and Schedule of Classes.

38 Office of Primary Responsibility: Counseling Services