Wando School Counselors

How To Get In Touch With Us
If you’d like to see your Counselor, you can come by the main Guidance office located just off the rotunda next to the Attendance office. If we are not available when you come by, you may fill out at Guidance Gram and we will talk to you as soon as possible. Please see the list below to determine your Counselor for the 2013-2014 school year. We hope to see you soon!

10th-12th Grade Counselors

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It's IGP Time!

Individual Graduation Plan (IGP) conferences are taking place for 12th grade students in the Wando Guidance Department. 9th through 11th grade IGP’s will begin soon. An IGP is a road map used to guide students toward their education, career and employment goals. A student’s IGP conference is the time to discuss graduation requirements, career clusters and majors, as well as coursework to complete a specific major offered at Wando. The plans are designed to be flexible and can change each year if the student has a change in interests or aspirations. Here are some great resources you can use to begin planning for your future:

The South Carolina Occupational Information System website is a wealth of information. Learn more about yourself, identify career goals, and engage in college and career research. Go to www.SCOIS.net and use Wando as the username and warriors as the password.


Cluster of the Quarter

The State of South Carolina has 16 Career Clusters and this month we are highlighting the Arts, A/V Technology and Communication cluster. We will spotlight a different cluster, careers within the cluster and a Wando High School Completer within the cluster.

Arts, A/V Technology and Communication

This month’s South Carolina Career Cluster aligns with Wando’s Arts and Communication’s Cluster and includes majors such as Architecture, Performing Arts, Visual Arts, Fashion Design and Apparel Construction, and Journalism and Mass Communication.

Career Spotlight

Photographer

Photographers can specialize in many areas from portraits to news reporting. It is a highly creative career and may include travel and long, irregular work hours. According to SCOIS.net, 63% of photographers are self-employed and photographers in South Carolina earn a median income of $27,460 per year.*

News Reporter

News Reporters can work in the radio, newspaper or television industries. They inform the public of events and may write or edit their own stories. Most have a bachelor's degree; only 13% are self-employed and in South Carolina, earn a median salary between $27,790 and $49,010 per year.*

*Information taken from www.SCOIS.net

Interview with a Completer

Name: Luke Fedorko
Wando School of Study: School of Arts and Humanities
Wando Major: Journalism and Mass Communication

Q: What career do you plan to pursue?
A: Photography but I am in a band and also interested in careers in music.

Q: What experience have you had in this field so far?
A: I shoot a lot of bands during their shows. One of the pictures I took of a band during their concert was used on the band's t-shirt.

Q: What classes at Wando have prepared you for this career?
A: Broadcast Journalism because it teaches you how to work with people in the field and it teaches you technology skills you need.

Q: What advice do you have for underclassmen who are interested in photography?
A: Take at least 10,000 pictures before you even start to think about photography in a professional sense.
SAT FACTS

- Measures critical thinking skills and how student analyze and solve problems
- Critical Reading-70 minutes
- Math-70 minutes total
- Writing-60 minutes total

Most colleges combine the Critical Reading and Math scores for admissions purposes.

Report scores directly to the colleges/programs (e.g. NCAA) you are interested in.

SAT and ACT

If you have not taken an SAT or ACT you should by the end of your junior year. REMEMBER Algebra 2 is the highest level of math on both tests.

- The best way to register is online, however, Guidance has paper applications that you can mail.
- SAT www.collegeboard.com
- ACT www.actstudent.org
- Wando is a test center (listed under Mount Pleasant). Make sure you correctly enter the test center code: ACT - 163000 SAT - 41-315
- Wando’s school code: 411-445
- When registering for the SAT and ACT make sure to have your scores sent to the colleges to which you plan to apply.

ACT FACTS

- Measures academic achievement and links test scores directly to what you’ve already learned
- English-45 minutes
- Reading-35 minutes
- Math-60 minutes
- Science-35 minutes
- Writing-30 minutes (optional but suggested to take at least once)

Fee Waivers are available for the ACT, SAT and college applications if you are on the free or reduced meal program. See your school counselor for fee waivers.

ACT and SAT allow two test fee waivers each.

NCAA Clearinghouse allows a fee waiver if you have already received a waiver for the ACT or SAT.

HSAP Testing

HSAP testing will take place on October 22, 23, and 24th for any 11th and 12th grader students who have not passed either portion of the test OR are new to the state of South Carolina. See Mrs. Logan in Guidance with any questions.

The ASVAB

The ASVAB was originally designed to predict future academic and occupational success in military occupations, but the composite scores can help students engage in career exploration as well. Any 10th-12th grade student is welcome to sign up in Guidance to take the test on November 12th in the PAC.
College Visits
Admissions representatives from colleges and universities across the country are interested in telling you about their school. Announcements will be made when the schools are here to visit and we invite students in grades 9-12 to learn more about the visiting schools.

It’s not too soon to start your college search!
Want to find a college that fits you to a “T”? You can utilize the websites below to look for colleges that fit YOUR needs.

- www.cappex.com
  College Searches and much more
- www.SCOIS.net
  Username: Wando
  Log in: Warriors
- www.collegeboard.com
  Click “Student” then “Find a College”
- www.scicu.org
  SC Private/Independent Colleges
- www.SCOIS.net

Upcoming Visits

10/21  Ponoma College  9:00 a.m.
10/22  Salem College  10:30 a.m.
10/22  Coastal Carolina University  12:00 p.m.
10/23  Auburn University  10:00 a.m.
10/30  Southern Wesleyan University  10:00 a.m.
10/31  Boston University  11:30 a.m.
11/1  Wake Forrest University  11:00 a.m.

Listen for announcements throughout the year for more college visits!

Red Ribbon Week
October 23-31
Red Ribbon Week is a week dedicated to promoting a drug free lifestyle. Every October, a drug prevention week is recognized across the country. Red Ribbon Week started in 1988 to remember American DEA agent Enrique “Kiki” Camarena who was kidnapped, tortured and killed in Mexico while fighting the war on drugs.

All Faculty, Staff and Students are encouraged to wear red on Friday, October 25 showing their dedication to a drug free life.

Are You New to Wando?
Check out the new student lunch! It’s a great way to meet other new students, learn about Wando, and enjoy free treats and games!

When: Every Friday during ALL lunches.
Where: The Wando Bistro