

## Services Provided by the School Counselor

Help develop positive attitudes among students toward self, family, and community

Brief individual counseling and small group counseling provided to assist students in understanding and appreciating their unique qualities, to grow personally and socially, and to learn life skills

School wide program development involving character education, bully prevention, and positive behavior support for academic improvement

Develop and deliver classroom-counseling lessons

Collaborate with teachers, staff, and parents to meet the individualized learning needs of the student

## Dr. Tina Neese

Dr. Tina Neese, LPC has over 30 years of experience working with children and families. She has worked as an elementary school, middle school and a high school counselor in her career.

She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Social Work and a Master's Degree in Education in School Counseling from Georgia State University. She completed her Specialist Degree in Education in School Counseling at the University of West Georgia and her Doctorate in Counseling and Psychology at Argosy University. She is also a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC).

Dr. Neese has been honored with the title of "Teacher of the Year", "County Counselor of the Year", and "Region Counselor of the Year". She is a member of various professional and community organizations, holding leadership positions in the state and national associations.

She enjoys working with students and helping them achieve their goals through the development of life skills. Outside of her work, she enjoys volunteering, traveling and spending time with her family. She is married, has four grown children, two stepchildren, and an adorable grandchild. She is a mom to her two fur babies.



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## Centennial Arts Academy

# Counselor



## School Counseling Program

***Meet your school counselor!***

## School Counselors are trained...

School counselors are certified educators who possess a minimum of a master's degree in school counseling, including completion of course work in career development, human growth and development, research and program evaluation, counseling skills, and a supervised internship. In addition to successful completion of coursework and successfully passing state testing for certification, the school counselor may elect to gain professional development through membership in state and national associations such as the Georgia School Counseling Association or the American School Counseling Association. The school counselor may elect to complete all of the necessary state requirements to become a licensed professional counselor.

Dr. Neese continues to attend professional development, as well as present at district, state and national conferences on various child and adolescent topics. Most recently, she has presented on the topic of Mental Health and Anxiety at region and state conferences to fellow counselors, as well as to the Department of Family and Children Services.

## School Counselors

### believe . . . . .

- ❖ Children have dignity, worth and value as human beings.
- ❖ Children learn best when they feel good about themselves and their relationships with others.
- ❖ Children who understand their feelings are better able to control their behavior.
- ❖ Children are capable of making responsible choices and are capable of learning.
- ❖ Attitudes formed during elementary school can shape future attitudes toward learning, self, and society.
- ❖ Children need guidance and support from school, parents, family, and the community as they seek to find their place in society.
- ❖ Effective communication and collaboration between the school staff, families and the community provides the most effective support to children.
- ❖ All children deserve access to a comprehensive school counseling program.

The CAA counseling program's ultimate goal is to be a partnership of students, families, staff and community whose mission is to prepare students to be successful in life.

## The CAA School Counselor will...

- Focus on the primary task of helping students become better learners by providing a comprehensive program that includes responsive services, individual planning, systems support, and a fully implemented guidance curriculum.
- Provide short term brief solution focused counseling and guidance services to all students; not just those in a crisis.
- Encourage academic, personal/social and career development based on ASCA standards.
- Provide a systematic array of curriculum, interventions, and services based on student needs and school data.

### How to see the school counselor?

- Provide individual, group counseling, classroom guidance, consultation, and other services.
- Complete a student referral form located in all classrooms and on the website.
- Send an email request to staff and families on student centered topics.
- Place a phone call to the counselor.
- Drop by the office.

