# YALE SECONDARY SCHOOL

## Counselling

The Counsellors provide academic, career and personal counselling.

#### Personal counselling includes assisting students in:

- Self-awareness: strengths, needs and values.
- Goal setting, decision making and problemsolving skills.
- Developing and mentoring positive relationships.
- Accessing support for mental health concerns.
- Conflict management and resolution.
- Dealing with a wide range of social, personal and developmental issues.
- Accessing services in the community.

## Academic counselling includes assisting students in:

- Selecting appropriate and relevant courses.
- Understanding the behaviours and attitudes that help lead to educational and personal success.
- Accessing post-secondary information such as programs, admission and Scholarships.
- Working with other students, parents and teachers as a resource.

Career counselling includes assisting students in:

- Examining their abilities and interests and relating those in the world of work.
- Recognizing the relationships between school subjects, leisure activities and occupations.
- Planning and accessing short and long term goals.
- Becoming aware of the variety of careers and occupations available.

## **Study Block Criteria**

Yale Secondary School believes that every course has value and adds to the knowledge, skills and tools students carry forward beyond graduation. As such, we believe that students should take full advantage of the variety of courses offered. Study blocks are a <u>privilege</u> reserved for senior students <u>who have ample credits and challenging course loads</u>.

## Grade 12 Students

Qualify for one study block if they meet the following criteria:

- 1. Have earned at least 68 credits by the end of grade 11.
- 3. Have completed all grade 10 and 11 required courses.
- 2. Will have 88 credits by the endof grade 12.
- 4. Have 3 grade 12 approved academic courses in one semester.

## Grade 11 Students

Must sign up for 8 courses. If all grade 10 courses are complete and a student is taking 3 Honours courses they may have one study block

## **Study Block Expectations**

- 1. Students must report to the Learning Commons or cafeteria for the study block unless the block is at the beginning or end of the day and must work quietly and respect Learning Commons rules.
- 2. Students must not be in the hallways, in the front foyer or outside the building on the property.
- 3. Students must work productively during the study block.
- 4. Students are allowed off school property with parents' permission.
- 5. Students must report to the Principal or a Vice Principal in the evacuation area during an