

**Advisory Program at Abraham Clark High School
(TAP- Teacher Advisory Program)**

Advisory Description and Facts

- **Each student will have the name of their Advisor and their assigned room for their Advisory Period listed on their schedule.**
- The specific dates of Advisory are on the academic school calendar and are held during specific periods of the day once per month during the school year.
- Special presentations are held for the entire grade level at times, and may be related to the specific grade level or age.
- Educational research has shown that students who have positive interrelationships with a staff member who serves as an adult mentor are more likely to be successful and graduate from high school.
- With this in mind ACHS has an Advisory program where every student has an Advisor who will follow them through- out their years in high school.
- Data supports the fact that students are more successful where their school environment fosters achievement and self -confidence, and where the students feel valued by their teachers.
- This unique Advisory program will allow each student at ACHS to have an Advisor who will meet with them during scheduled advisory times each month.
- Students will have the benefit of specific advisory curriculum that is suited to their age and grade level that fosters workplace readiness, study skills, conflict resolution, time management, preparation for careers and post-secondary education and relates to the district and school mission and goals.

Role of the Advisor

- The Advisor is to serve as an advocate for the student.
- Advisors are not to serve as a replacement for the School Counselor.
- To meet with the student a minimum of once a month.
- To assist the student with academic issues and other problems, advising and facilitating the specific needs of the individual student and referring to additional staff or services as may be needed.
- To provide Advisory topics and discussion pertinent to specific grade level issues meeting once per month.
- To serve as a liaison person between the student, other staff members and the parent.
- To communicate with their advisory students regarding their academic progress, attendance issues and discipline problems if needed.
- To help students with career research and development of PSLP (Personalized Student Learning Plans).