

## About Mr. O'Donnell

Mr. O'Donnell is an Assumption High School graduate ('65). He received his Bachelor's Degree in Physical Education from Central College in Pella, Iowa and his Master's Degree of Education in Counseling from the University of Missouri. Mr. O'Donnell has been a guidance counselor for 37 years, 27 of those at Assumption.

He is a member of:

(WSCA)

Wisconsin School Counselor Association

(ASCA)

American School Counselor Association



WISCONSIN RAPIDS AREA  
CATHOLIC SCHOOLS

### WHAT DO SCHOOL COUNSELORS DO?

MORE IMPORTANTLY,  
THE QUESTION IS:  
"HOW ARE STUDENTS DIFFERENT  
BECAUSE OF WHAT SCHOOL  
COUNSELORS DO?"

ASSUMPTION  
HIGH SCHOOL

# Guidance Counselor

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# ASCA National Standards

## Academic Development

- Students will acquire the attitudes, knowledge and skills contributing to effective learning in school and across their lifespan.
- Students will complete school with the academic preparations essential to choose from a wide range of substantial post secondary options, including college.
- Students will understand the relationship of academics to the world of work and to life at home and in the community.

## Personal/Social Development

- Students will acquire the knowledge, attitudes and interpersonal skills to help them understand and respect self and others.
- Students will make decisions, set goals and take necessary action to achieve goals.
- Students will understand safety and survival skills

## Career Development

- Students will acquire the skills to investigate the world of work in relations to knowledge of self and to make informed career decisions.
- Students will employ strategies to achieve future career goals with success and satisfaction.
- Students will understand the relationship between personal qualities, education, training, and the world of work.

## Counseling responsibilities include:

- Serving as liaison between home and school
- Counseling students with social issues
- Counseling students with individual issues, such as stress, anxiety, and depression.
- Collaborating with teachers and administrators over academic problems.
- Collaborating with teachers and administrators over students' different learning styles.
- Assisting the principal in resolving student issues.
- Referring students to professional therapists when necessary.
- Referring students to Social Services as needed.

Mr. O'Donnell

coordinates the following:

Youth Apprenticeship Program

Job shadowing

Standardized testing

College Representative Visits

College applications

Scholarship applications

Financial Aid Night

Other responsibilities involve:

Career Cruising

ACT/SAT registration

Student academic/transcript files

Communicate with the ASC

Explore post-secondary options

Meetings with Juniors and parents

Post-secondary planning