

HMS Counselor Resource Guide

Academic Resources

Tutoring:

- Front Porch
662-910-7575
- DeSoto County Resource Center
662-404-6030
- Myers Tutoring
901-380-9209
- The Tutoring Spot
901-334-8309
- DeSoto Grace (3-4 Grade only)
Free resource; limited spots
385 Stateline Road W., Southaven,
MS 38671
(662) 510-2036
<http://desotograce.org>

Other Academic Resources:

Parent Portal:

Sign up in the school office!

Parent Portal Features and Benefits

- Ability to check student information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Ability to view a variety of student information such as attendance and discipline
- Increased sense of ownership and responsibility for personal progress through viewing of homework assignments and due dates, grades, test scores and personal course schedules
- Improved communications with the school and student's teachers with online messages
- Ability to ensure basic demographic data is up-to-date, view information such as address and telephone, emergency contacts and more!
- What if I have questions about the DeSoto County Schools Parent Portal? Please call your school office for questions about using ParentPortal or call the MIS Department at (662) 449-7279 for technical support.

Get to College: (College/Career Readiness)

5699 Getwell Road, Building H, Suite 3

Southaven, MS 38672

662.349.2789

nms@get2college.org

At Get2College, we help you plan, prepare, and pay for college. From helping you prep for the ACT and navigating the financial aid process to working with you to polish your resume and interview skills, we'll help you on the journey to college and beyond. Call today to meet with an experienced counselor and financial aid expert.

Academic Resources

Desoto Literacy Council

2601 Elm Street, Hernando, MS 38632

662-429-2354

www.desotoliteracy.org

Desoto Literacy Council helps with basic skills to help students prepare for their GED. Basic computer skills and tutoring are also offered.

First Regional Library of Hernando

(662) 429-4439

370 W Commerce St, Hernando, MS 38632

www.firstregional.org

The library offers a variety of resources and workshops for students in grades K-12. They include a calendar on their site that lists the various workshops they offer and for which age group the workshop is targeting. There is also information on how to obtain a library card.

Head Start Centers Institute of Community Services, Inc.

2320 Church Road East

Southaven, MS 38671

www.ics-hs.org

The Desoto County Head Start program is for children ages 3-4. This program includes family services and is based on income eligibility.

Career/Employment Resources

Southaven Chamber of Commerce:

<http://business.southavenchamber.com/jobs>

Desoto County Career

847 Rasco Road West

Southaven, MS 38671

www.ctcw.desotocountyschools.org

Desoto County Career center offers nine career and technical programs. The programs are 2 years, and financial assistance is available.

Mississippi Department of Rehabilitation Services, Region 1 Office

8480 Sandidge Road

Olive Branch, MS 38654

www.mdrs.ms.gov

The MDRS Region 1 Office offers vocational rehabilitation as it serves MS residents with disabilities. It also offers job training, development, and placement.

WIN Job Center

7320 Highway 51

Southaven, MS 38671

662-342-4002

www.mdes.ms.gov/win-job-centers

The WIN Job Center takes an interest inventory and determines what the placement for you would be, then checks their system and informs you of any possible positions that may be available that relate to your personal strengths. This is a temporary employment agency.

Families First Resource Center (workforce and job readiness)

3246 HWY 51 S. Suite 1, Hernando, MS 38632.

Please call 662-912-5900 before starting a class. Childcare is offered to participants at no cost.

<https://www.familiesfirstforms.org/hermando>

Regional Coordinator: Abby McDonald amcdonald@frcnms.org

Social-Emotional Development Resources

Common Sense Media:

Social media isn't simply a way of life for kids – it's life itself. To help them keep their online interactions safe, productive, and positive, we offer the most up-to-date research and guidance on social media basics. Learn about the latest apps and websites, and get tips on talking to your kids about sharing, posting, and avoiding digital drama. (<https://www.commonsensemedia.org>)

- <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/social-media>
- <https://www.commonsensemedia.org/privacy-and-internet-safety>

Big Brothers/Sisters of Greater Memphis

81 Tillman Street, Memphis, TN 38111

www.bbbsmem.org

Big Brothers/Sisters of Greater Memphis matches boys and girls ranging in age from 7-14 with volunteers who are well-trained and motivated that serve as mentors. The mentors have a core one-to-one mentoring program between the mentor and the child in which they focus on making sure the child has the skills they need to avoid the different pressures that surround them.

Families First Resource Center

3246 HWY 51 S. Suite 1
Hernando, MS 38632
662-912-5900

<https://www.familiesfirstforms.org/hernando>

Services provided:

- parenting classes
- educational opportunities
- positive youth development
- literacy assistance
- workforce and job readiness

FRC Thursday Classes

- Effective Parenting: 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
- Life Skills: 5:00 pm – 6:00 pm
- Conflict Resolution: 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm
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- Healthy Relationships: 7:00 pm- 8:00 pm
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Emergency/Special Needs

Comcast Internet Essentials

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- Have at least one child who is eligible for the National School Lunch Program or receive HUD housing assistance
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House of Grace (domestic violence)

House of Grace offers emergency temporary shelter for women and children involved in domestic violence. House of Grace also offers counseling, behavioral support, and academic tutoring.

662-342-0252, Address not released for safety purposes.

www.houseofgracems.org

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Olive Branch Emergency Food Ministry

10947 Highway 178

Olive Branch, MS 38654

662-895-2913

www.foodpantries.org

The OB Emergency Food Pantry serves residents in the OB and surrounding areas by aiding in assistance with food and groceries.

HeartLand Hands, Inc.

385 Stateline Rd. W.

Southaven, MS 38671

662-280-5365

<http://www.heartlandhands.org>

HeartLand Hands is a monthly food distribution to qualified applicants. They also provide food in emergency needs, clothing vouchers for thrift stores, as well as referral services for other needs.

Catholic Social Services, Sacred Heart Southern Missions

707 Strayhorn , Senatobia, MS 38668

www.SHSM.org

This agency assists families that are economically disadvantaged by offering advocacy and social services, as well as more affordable housing and educational opportunities. They offer services such as: social services, budget counseling, parenting classes, teen pregnancy assistance, revolving loans, food pantry, rental housing, etc.

Salvation Army Rehabilitation Center (ARC)

2649 Kirby Whitten Road, Memphis, TN 38133

www.satruck.org

ARC provides in residence rehabilitatio program with a focus on basic essentials. ARC provides spiritual, social, and emotional assistance for men and women who have lost their ability to cope with their problems and need assistance in providing for their family and themselves. Each center offers housing, work, and group/individual therapy in a clean environment.