§ 4605. Vocational and educational guidance. 1. The board of education of each school district or board of cooperative educational services may employ qualified persons for the purpose of providing vocational and educational guidance for minors. Such vocational and educational guidance service and the qualifications of the counselors employed for such work shall be approved by the commissioner.

2. The board of education of each school district or board of cooperative educational services may establish, conduct and maintain as a part of the public school system a guidance bureau which shall perform such of the following duties as may be determined by such board:

a. Providing information and counsel for pupils regarding educational and occupational opportunities.

b. Providing employment and follow-up services for minors in cooperation with existing public agencies.

c. Conducting research studies of pupils and the local educational and occupational opportunities in cooperation with existing public agencies.

d. Assisting in the organization of courses of study dealing with educational and occupational opportunities for use in the schools and in teaching and supervising such courses.

e. Organizing and conducting a counseling service in the schools to assist pupils in the formation of their educational and vocational plans.

f. Cooperating with other staff members to advance the educational and occupational progress of pupils.