

EPS Comprehensive School Counseling Program Framework





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Where are we?

2022-2023



The Context

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PURPOSE & BACKGROUND

During the 2021 legislative session, the Legislature passed <u>Substitute Senate Bill (SSB) 5030</u>, which was the result of a multi-year effort by the Washington School Counselor Association (MSCA) and other statewide advocates to clarify the role of the school counselor in alignment with current best practices. SSB 5030 requires districts to develop and implement a comprehensive school counseling program (CSCP) for all schools within the district that addresses students' social/emotional, academic, and career development in alignment with the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) National Model.

School counselors provide universal learning supports for all students, often positioned to be the first school-employed professional to recognize and address students' social/emotional, career, and academic needs. They function as advocates, collaborators, and leaders to bring about the systemic changes necessary to provide an equitably administered CSCP aligned with the district's vision, mission, and school improvement goals. In alignment with <u>ASCAs ethical</u> standards for school counseling, practitioners are compelled to deliver services in a universally accessible, strengths-based, and unbiased manner. School counseling staff demonstrate their

- Substitute Senate Bill 5030
- Districts develop a framework for implementing a Comprehensive School Counseling Program (CSCP) for all schools within the district
- CSCPs address students' academic, social/emotional, and career development
- CSCPs align with the American School Counselor Association National Model

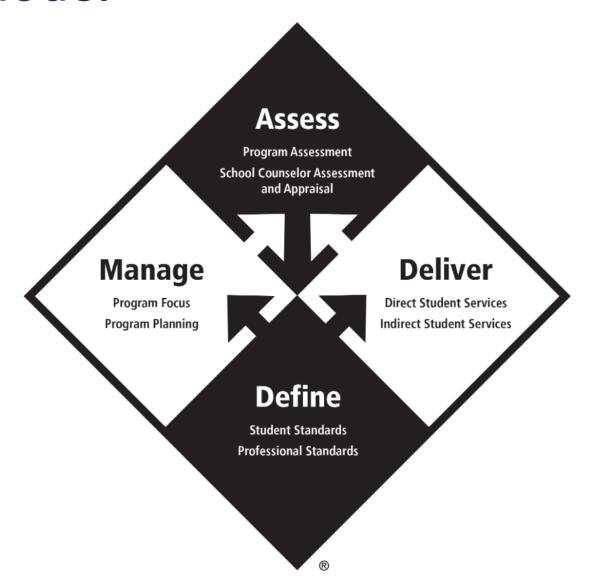
Implementation Details

| 2022-23 School Year | Begin implementation of district CSCP, utilizing transition plan to work toward full implementation |
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| 2023-24 and Beyond | Continue implementation of district CSCP framework and work toward full implementation. |

Required CSCP Components

- Alignment with State and National Standards
- Provide a Process for Identifying Student Need
- 3. Explain How Direct & Indirect Services Will Be Delivered
- 4. Establish an Annual Review and Assessment Process

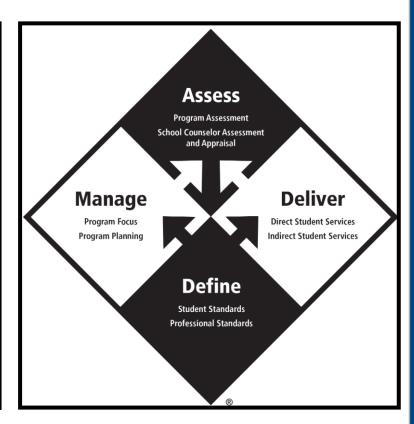
ASCA Model



ASCA Through the Models





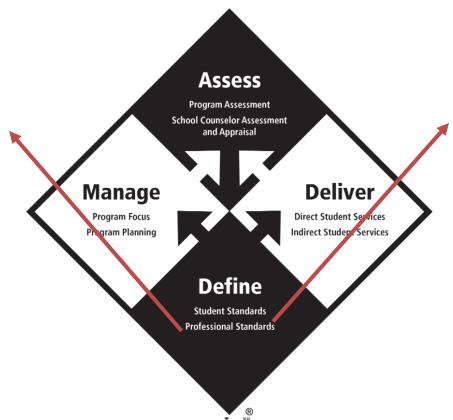


ASCA School Counselor Professional Standards & Competencies

MINDSETS

- M 1. Every student can learn, and every student can succeed.
- M 2. Every student should have access to and opportunity for a high-quality education.
- M 3. Every student should graduate from high school prepared for postsecondary opportunities.
- M 4. Every student should have access to a school counseling program.
- M 5. Effective school counseling is a collaborative process involving school counselors, students, families, teachers, administrators, other school staff and education stakeholders.
- M 6. School counselors are leaders in the school, district, state and nation.
- M 7. School counseling programs promote and enhance student academic, career and social/emotional outcomes.

| BEHAVIORS School counselors demonstrate the following standards in the design, implementation and assessment of a school counseling program. | | | | | | |
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| Professi | onal Foundation | Direct and Indirect Student Services | | Planning and Assessment | | |
| B-PF 1. | Apply developmental, learning, counseling and education theories | B-SS 1. | Design and implement instruction aligned to ASCA Student Standards: Mindsets & Behaviors for Student Success in large-group, classroom, small-group and individual settings | B-PA 1. | Create school counseling program beliefs, vision and mission statements aligned with the schoo and district | |
| B-PF 2. | Demonstrate understanding of educational systems, legal issues, policies, research and trends in education | B-SS 2. | Provide appraisal and advisement in large-group, classroom, small- group and individual settings | B-PA 2. | Identify gaps in achievement, attendance, discipline, opportunity and resources | |
| B-PF 3. | Apply legal and ethical principles of the school counseling profession | B-SS 3. | Provide short-term counseling in small-group and individual settings | B-PA 3. | Develop annual student outcome goals based on student data | |
| B-PF 4. | Apply school counseling professional standards and competencies | B-SS 4. | Make referrals to appropriate school and community resources | B-PA 4. | Develop and implement action plans aligned with annual student outcome goals and student data | |
| B-PF 5. | Use ASCA Student Standards: Mindsets & Behaviors for Student Success to inform the implementation of a school counseling program | B-SS 5. | Consult to support student achievement and success | B-PA 5. | Assess and report program results to the school community | |
| B-PF 6. | Demonstrate understanding of the impact of cultural, social and environmental influences on student success and opportunities | B-SS 6. | Collaborate with families, teachers, administrators, other school staff and education stakeholders for student achievement and success | B-PA 6. | Use time appropriately according to national recommendations and student/school data | |
| B-PF 7. | Demonstrate leadership through the development and implementation of a school counseling program | | | B-PA 7. | Establish agreement with the principal and other administrators about the school counseling program | |
| B-PF 8. | Demonstrate advocacy for a school counseling program | | | B-PA 8. | Establish and convene an advisory council for the school counseling program | |
| B-PF 9. | Create systemic change through the implementation of a school counseling program | | | B-PA 9. | Use appropriate school counselor performance appraisal process | |



Category 1: Mindset Standards School counselors encourage the following mindsets for all students.

- M 1. Belief in development of whole self, including a healthy balance of mental, social/emotional and physical well-being
- M 2. Sense of acceptance, respect, support and inclusion for self and others in the school environment
- M 3. Positive attitude toward work and learning
- M 4. Self-confidence in ability to succeed
- M 5. Belief in using abilities to their fullest to achieve high-quality results and outcomes
- M 6. Understanding that postsecondary education and lifelong learning are necessary for long-term success

Category 2: Behavior Standards School counselors provide culturally sustaining instruction, appraisal and

| advisement, and counseling to help all students demonstrate: | | | | | | |
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| Learning Strategies | | Self-Ma | nagement Skills | Social Skills | | |
| B-LS 1. | Critical thinking skills to make informed decisions | B-SMS 1. | Responsibility for self and actions | B-SS 1. | Effective oral and written communication skills and listening skills | |
| B-LS 2. | Creative approach to learning, tasks and problem solving | B-SMS 2. | Self-discipline and self-control | B-SS 2. | Positive, respectful and supportive relationships with students who are similar to and different from them | |
| B-LS 3. | Time-management, organizational and study skills | B-SMS 3. | Independent work | B-SS 3. | Positive relationships with adults to support success | |
| B-LS 4. | Self-motivation and self- direction for learning | B-SMS 4. | Delayed gratification for long-term rewards | B-SS 4. | Empathy | |
| B-LS 5. | Media and technology skills to enhance learning | B-SMS 5. | Perseverance to achieve long- and short-term goals | B-SS 5. | Ethical decision-making and social responsibility | |
| B-LS 6. | High-quality standards for tasks and activities | B-SMS 6. | Ability to identify and overcome barriers | B-SS 6. | Effective collaboration and cooperation skills | |
| B-LS 7. | Long- and short-term academic, career and social/emotional goals | B-SMS 7. | Effective coping skills | B-SS 7. | Leadership and teamwork skills to work effectively in diverse groups | |
| B-LS 8. | Engagement in challenging coursework | B-SMS 8. | Balance of school, home and community activities | B-SS 8. | Advocacy skills for self and others and ability to assert self, when necessary | |
| B-LS 9. | Decision-making informed by gathering evidence, getting others' perspectives and recognizing personal bias | B-SMS 9. | Personal safety skills | B-SS 9. | Social maturity and behaviors appropriate to the situation and environment | |
| B-LS 10. | Participation in enrichment and extracurricular activities | B-SMS 10 | Ability to manage transitions and adapt to change | B-SS 10. | Cultural awareness, sensitivity and responsiveness | |

DEFINE

Three sets of school counseling standards define the school counseling profession. These standards help new and experienced school counselors develop, implement and assess their school counseling program to improve student outcomes.

Student Standards

ASCA Mindsets & Behaviors for Student Success: K-12 College- and Career-Readiness for **Every Student**

Professional Standards

- ASCA Ethical Standards for School Counselors
- ASCA School Counselor Professional Standards & Competencies

ASSESS

To achieve the best results for students, school counselors regularly assess their program to:

- determine its effectiveness
- inform improvements to their school counseling program design and delivery
- show how students are different as a result of the school counseling program

School counselors also self-assess their own mindsets and behaviors to inform their professional development and annually participate in a school counselor performance appraisal with a qualified administrator. The ASCA National Model provides the following tools to guide assessment and appraisal.

Program Assessment

- School Counseling Program Assessment
- Annual Results Reports

School Counselor Assessment and Appraisal

- ASCA School Counselor Professional Standards & Competencies Assessment
- School Counselor Performance Appraisal Template

MANAGE

To be delivered effectively, the school counseling program must be efficiently and effectively managed. The ASCA National Model provides school counselors with the following program focus and planning tools to guide the design and implementation of a school counseling program that gets results.

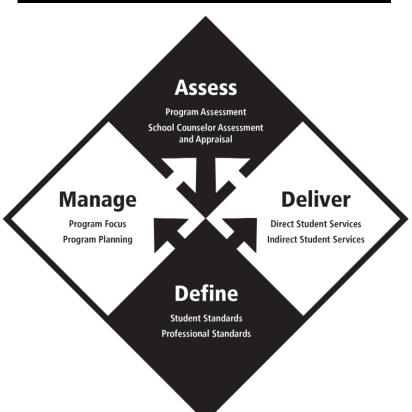
Program Focus

- Beliefs
- Vision Statement
- Mission Statement

Program Planning

- School Data Summary
- Annual Student Outcome Goals
- Action Plans
- Classroom and Group
- Closing the Gap
- Lesson Plans
- Annual Administrative Conference
- Use of Time
- Calendars
- AnnualWeekly
- Advisory Council





DELIVER

School counselors deliver developmentally appropriate activities and services directly to students or indirectly for students as a result of the school counselor's interaction with others.

These activities and services help students develop the ASCA Mindsets & Behaviors for Student Success and improve their achievement, attendance and discipline.

Direct Student Services

- Instruction
- Appraisal and Advisement
- Counseling

Indirect Student Services

- Consultation
- Collaboration
- Referrals

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A minimum of

of a school counselor's time should be spent in direct and indirect student services.

The ASCA National Model provides a flexible framework elementary school counselors use to develop a school counseling program designed to meet their students' unique needs. The delivery of this program includes:

Direct student services including:

- instruction teaching the school counseling curriculum to students focused through the lens of selected student standards from the ASCA Mindsets & Behaviors for Student Success.
- appraisal and advisement assessing student abilities, interests and achievement to help them make decisions about their future.
- assistance and support to a student or small group of students during times of transition, heightened stress, critical change or other situations impeding student success. School counselors do not provide therapy or long-term counseling in schools. However, school counselors are prepared to recognize and respond to student mental health needs and assist students and families seeking resources.



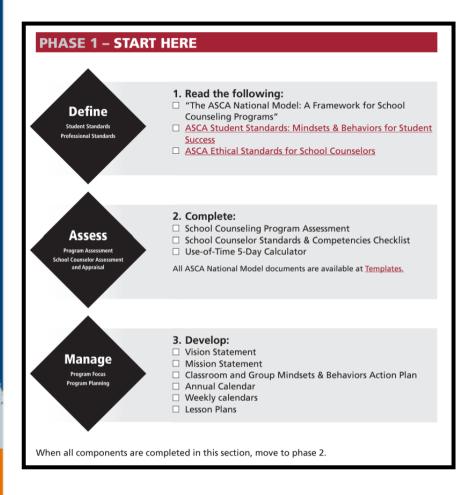
The Essential Role of Elementary School Counselors

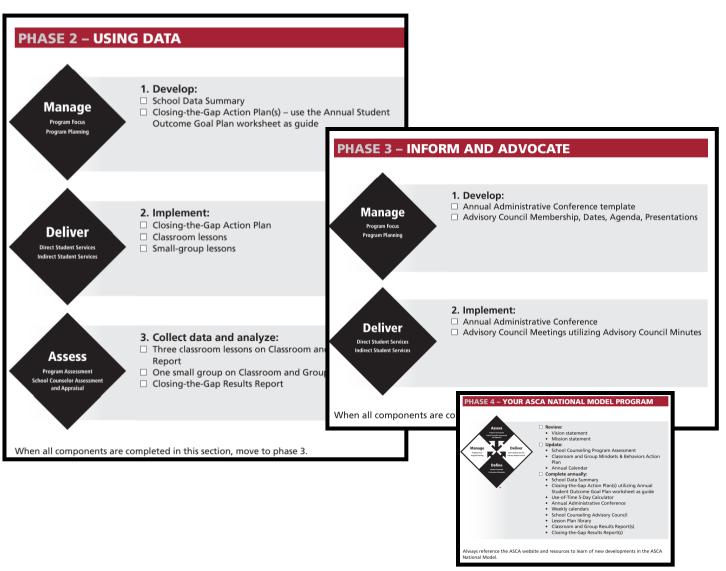
Indirect student services including:

- consultation share strategies supporting student achievement with parents, teachers, other educators and community organizations
- collaboration work with other educators, parents and the community to support student achievement
- referrals support for students and families to school or community resources for additional assistance and information

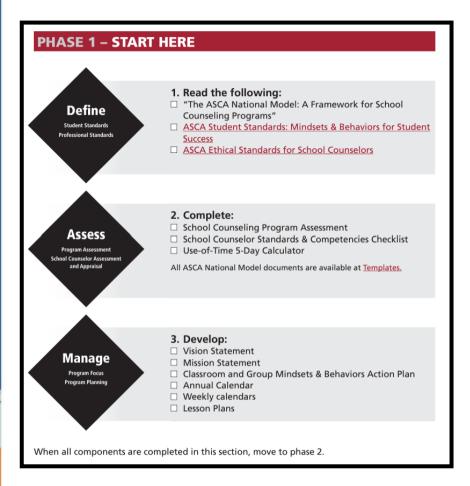


ASCA Model





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| School Counselor Name: | | | | | DA | | | |
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| SCHOOL | | | | | Indirect | | | Non-School- |
| COUNSELOR ASSOCIATION | | | | | Student | Program Planning and School | | Counseling |
| | | Dire | ct Student Serv | rices | Services | Sup | port | Tasks |
| Time frame | Activity or Task | Instruction | Appraisal & Advisement | Counseling | Referrals/ Consultation/ Collaboration | Defining, Managing, Assessing Activities | Fair-Share Responsibility Activities | Non-School- Counseling Tasks |

What's Next?

ASCA Scope and Sequence

| Session Information | Learning Objectives |
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| Session 1, Year 1 | Describe the ASCA National Model Explain three types of data collected in a school counseling program Complete the School Data Summary Create Annual Student Outcome Goal Plan Create a Closing-the-Gap Action Plan Complete Column 1 of the Use-of-Time 5 Day Calculator Navigate ASCA National Model Portal |
| Session 2, Year 1 | Create Mission and Vision statements Utilize ASCA Student Standards Explain data collection and analysis Calculate and analyze Mindsets & Behaviors pre assessment data Analyze time usage (using Use-of-Time 5 Day Calculator) Draft Annual Calendar |
| Session 3, Year 1 | Develop Closing-the-Gap Results Reports Finalize Classroom & Group Mindsets & Behaviors Action Plan Identify purpose of Annual Administrative Conference Clarify specific session content for School Counseling Advisory Council meetings |

ASCA Scope and Sequence (continued)

| Session Information | Learning Objectives |
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| Session 4, Year 2 | Review/refine Classroom & Group MB Action Plan Write Lesson Plans (classroom) Review and refine annual calendar Explain the School Counseling Advisory Council Complete the Annual Administrative Conference template (per counselor) |
| Session 5, Year 2 | Write Lesson Plans (Small Group) Complete results reports (Classroom, Small Group, Closing-the-Gap) Create a clear and concise graph conveying student impact at a glance Develop end-of-year presentation Identify best practices in reporting program results to stakeholders |
| Session 6, Year 2 | Advocate for school counseling program using Results Reports Deliver annual school presentation (goals, three classroom lessons, small group, closing- thegap) Consider RAMP |