

This Amazing
COUNSELOR
is loved and appreciated

Terrence Valley High
College & Career

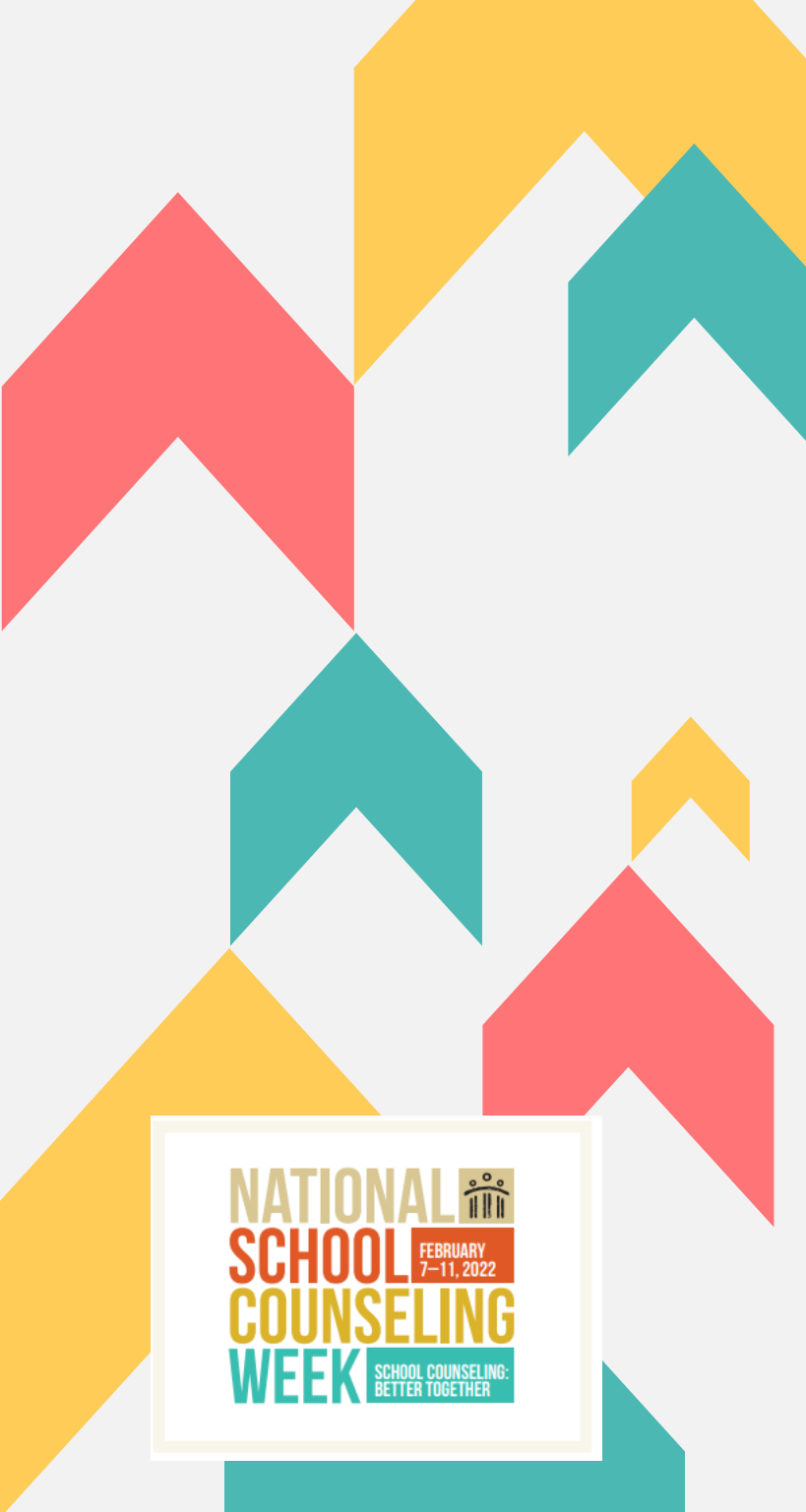
MY SCHOOL
COUNSELOR
HELPS ME
SUCCEED!



SCHOOL COUNSELOR
LEADERSHIP NETWORK
RIVERSIDE COUNTY


BE
FEARLESS
IN THE PURSUIT
OF WHAT SETS
YOUR SOUL ON

**SCHOOL COUNSELORS:
STRATEGIC INTENTIONAL INFORMED**



#Advocate Collaborate Educate: It's What We Do

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NATIONAL
SCHOOL FEBRUARY
7-11, 2022
COUNSELING
WEEK SCHOOL COUNSELING:
BETTER TOGETHER

Strategic. Intentional. Informed.




Yes, we advocate,
collaborate, and
educate on a daily
basis.

YET, this is also an
evolution. We evolve
with the profession
and with our students
and families.

Today, I want to speak
a bit about that
journey.

**The
truth
is...**





*Who we
are is
how we
lead.*



MY

Journey



**BEFORE
GRAD
SCHOOL**



**DURING
GRAD
SCHOOL**



PROFESSION
School Counselor
&
Counselor
Educator



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ADVOCATE

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LEADERSHIP
ADVOCACY

C

COLLABORATE

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COLLABORATION
SYSTEMIC
CHANGE

E

EDUCATE

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Where it all began...

High School

Mary & Jill
Orange Coast MC HS



College

Orange Coast College (Dr. Quickel)
CSU Long Beach (Dr. Lipman)



Developing knowledge & skills...

Graduate School

Chapman University
Practicum/Internship



Practice

Elementary & middle school counselor
Site supervisor
Counselor educator



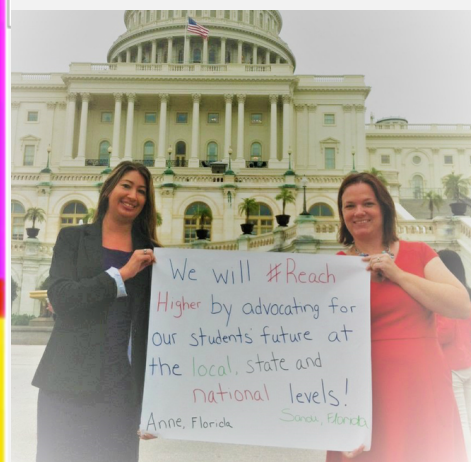
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CLMS 2009:
Strengthening Counselor-
Administrator Collaboration

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THE ULTIMATE SCHOOL COUNSELOR'S GUIDE TO ASSESSMENT & DATA COLLECTION



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Dear Senator XXX,

As a proud member of the American School Counselor Association (ASCA), board member of the Florida School Counselor Association (FSCA), and a board member of the Dade School Counseling Association (DSCA), I hold great pride and responsibility for the advancement of the school counseling profession. In my role as an Assistant Professor at Florida International University, I am the sole faculty member providing training and supervision in school counseling specific courses to future school counselors. Needless to say, I have a strong interest in the preparation and training of school counselors. Yet, I also know from my own years of experience as an elementary and middle school counselor that our practicing school counselors are currently facing great pressures and hurdles.

School counselors serve as the first line of defense to our students' development and success. Uniquely, they are trained to support students across three domains: academic, career, and social/emotional development. Moreover, school counselors are ideally implementing a comprehensive school counseling program as outlined by the American School Counselor Association. If you want a better idea of truly what the role of a school counselor is, I encourage to click [here](#) for a better idea.

However, many of our school counselors, PK-12, are not able to best support students, their family, and their school's staff. It seems like a nearly impossible feat to provide ample support and attention to students when school counselors have such large caseloads and are far too frequently responsible for non-counseling tasks that take away time that is needed to devote to student needs. While ASCA recommends a ratio of **250 students per counselor**, that is not the case at school across the nation, and sadly that includes many schools here in Florida. For instance, in the South Florida region:

Tri-County School Counseling Statistics			
	Palm Beach	Broward	Miami-Dade
Student Enrollment	190,007	269,414	349,741
Total Staff	12,648	18,151	21,469
School Counselors	744	617	746
Student-to-Counselor Ratio	255 to 1	437 to 1	469
Meet ASCA 250:1 ratio?	At ratio	Nearly double	Nearly double
Statewide: 5,941 counselors comprise 2.99% of all instructional staff (198,717 staff total)			
*Data from Florida Department of Education 2017-2018 reports http://www.fldoe.org/accountability/data-sys/edu-info-accountability-services/pk-12-public-school-data-pubs-reports/staff.html Scroll down to "Instructional Staff"			

Moreover, in 2015, the Florida Legislature's Office of Program Policy Analysis & Government Accountability reported on the landscape of school counseling in the state of Florida. While the entire report can be accessed [here](#), please consider the following key points:

- While the ASCA national model indicates counselors should be spending 80% of their time towards direct counseling services and 20% of time towards indirect counseling services, FL's counselors are spending: 42% direct service, 29% indirect, and 29% non-counseling duties.
 - The top 5 reported non-counseling duties were: student testing/assessment, coordinating 504 meetings, attendance duty, cafeteria duty, and hallway supervision.
- Of the 580 schools participating in the survey, 580-to-1 was the average ratio of students per counselor across the state.
 - 155 (28%) of participating schools met ASCA's recommended ratio, which means 405 schools did not meet the ASCA recommended ratio (72%).
 - At the elementary level, the ratio was 689-to-1.
 - At the middle school level, the ratio was 463-to-1.
 - At the high school level, the ratio was 440-to-1.

In honor of National School Counseling Week (the 1st full week of February annually), I encourage you to reach out and thank a school counselor for the tireless work they contribute to support all students' academic, career, and social/emotional success, as well as get know them and their school's comprehensive school counseling program. Perhaps, you even take it one step further: I encourage you to reach out any board member of the Florida School Counselor Association, which can be found [here](#). We would love to opportunity to chat with you further about how you can be an advocate for the profession of school counseling, but equally important, for all of Florida's PK-12 students.


As Senator representing District ##, I would love the opportunity to schedule a meeting with you in the coming weeks to discuss the realities of school counseling here in South Florida and how our educators alike are being impacted by the shortage of qualified school counselors and high student-to-counselor ratios. Please feel free to contact me at the email or number listed below.

Happy National School Counseling week to the nearly 6,000 school counselors serving all of Florida's students.

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*When we have
the courage
to walk into
our story and
own it, we get
to write the
ending.*



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**In this moment, think about how
you have seen your journey play
out with your own
#AdvocateCollaborateEducate**



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I'd love to hear about it on social media using the hashtag
#AdvocateCollaborateEducate





*Happy
National
School
Counseling
Week!*

**Thank you for being
here, being you, and
doing what you do...**

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