

# North Carolina School Counselor Association

---

Vanessa Goodman Barnes, NCSCA Board Member

Nartarshia Sharpe, NCSCA President



# NCSCA

Founded in 1960, NCSCA has representation in all eight regions of the state and a membership of more than 2,000 school counseling professionals.

NCSCA promotes excellence in the profession of school counseling and the development of all students.



The background features a dark blue vertical bar on the left. The rest of the slide is light gray with faint, large-scale geometric patterns of triangles. In the top right corner, there is a cluster of small, dark gray dots arranged in a grid-like pattern that tapers off to the right.

# A Day in the life of a School Counselor





# WHO ARE SCHOOL COUNSELORS?

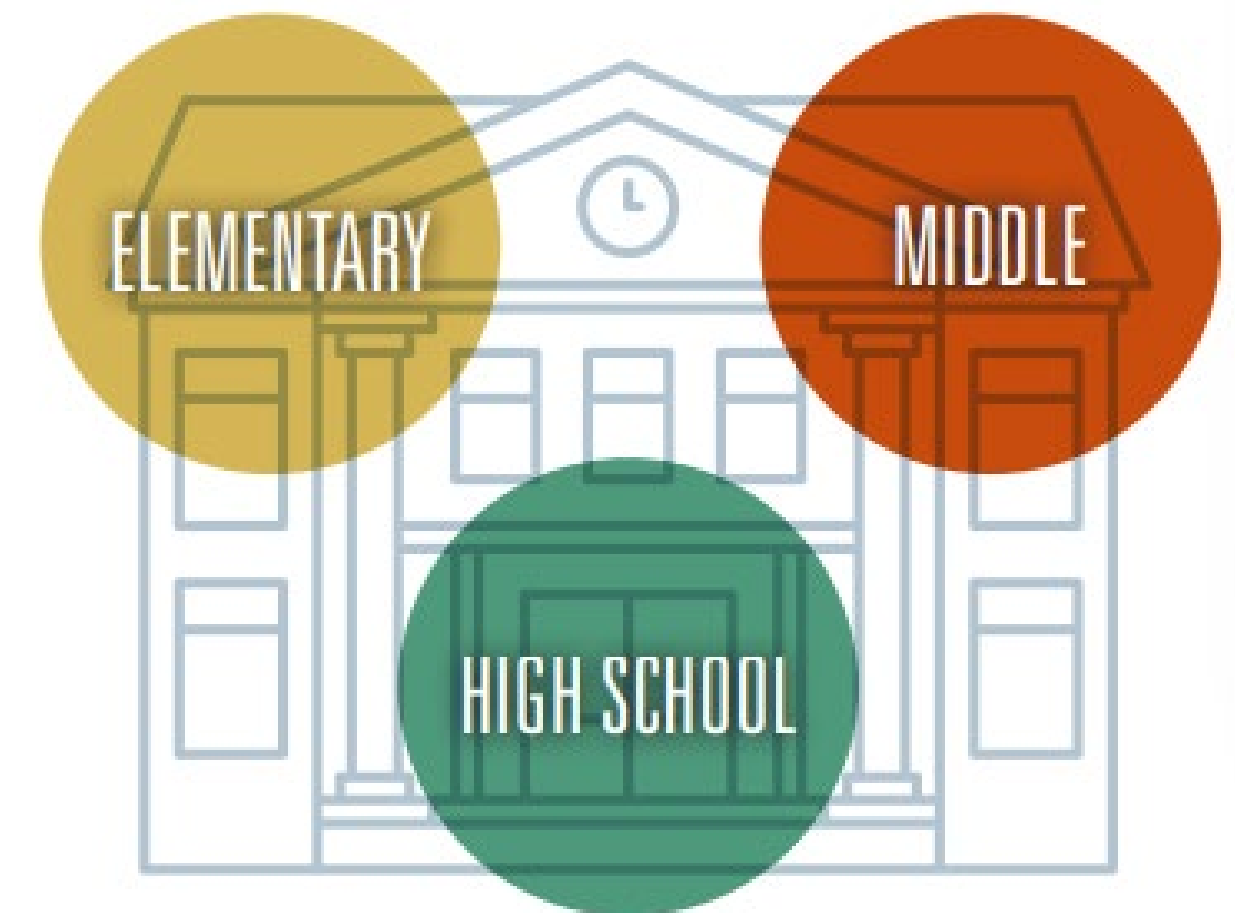
School counselors are certified/licensed educators who improve student success for all students by implementing a data-informed school counseling program.



## SCHOOL COUNSELOR QUALIFICATIONS

- ▶ **Hold, at minimum, a master's degree in school counseling**
- ▶ **Meet the state certification/licensure standards**
- ▶ **Fulfill continuing education requirements**

## EMPLOYED AT ALL LEVELS



Also employed in district supervisory positions;  
and school counselor education positions

# The School Counselor's Role

**S**chool counselors design and deliver school counseling programs that improve student outcomes. They lead, advocate and collaborate to promote equity and access for all students by connecting their school counseling program to the school's academic mission and school improvement plan.



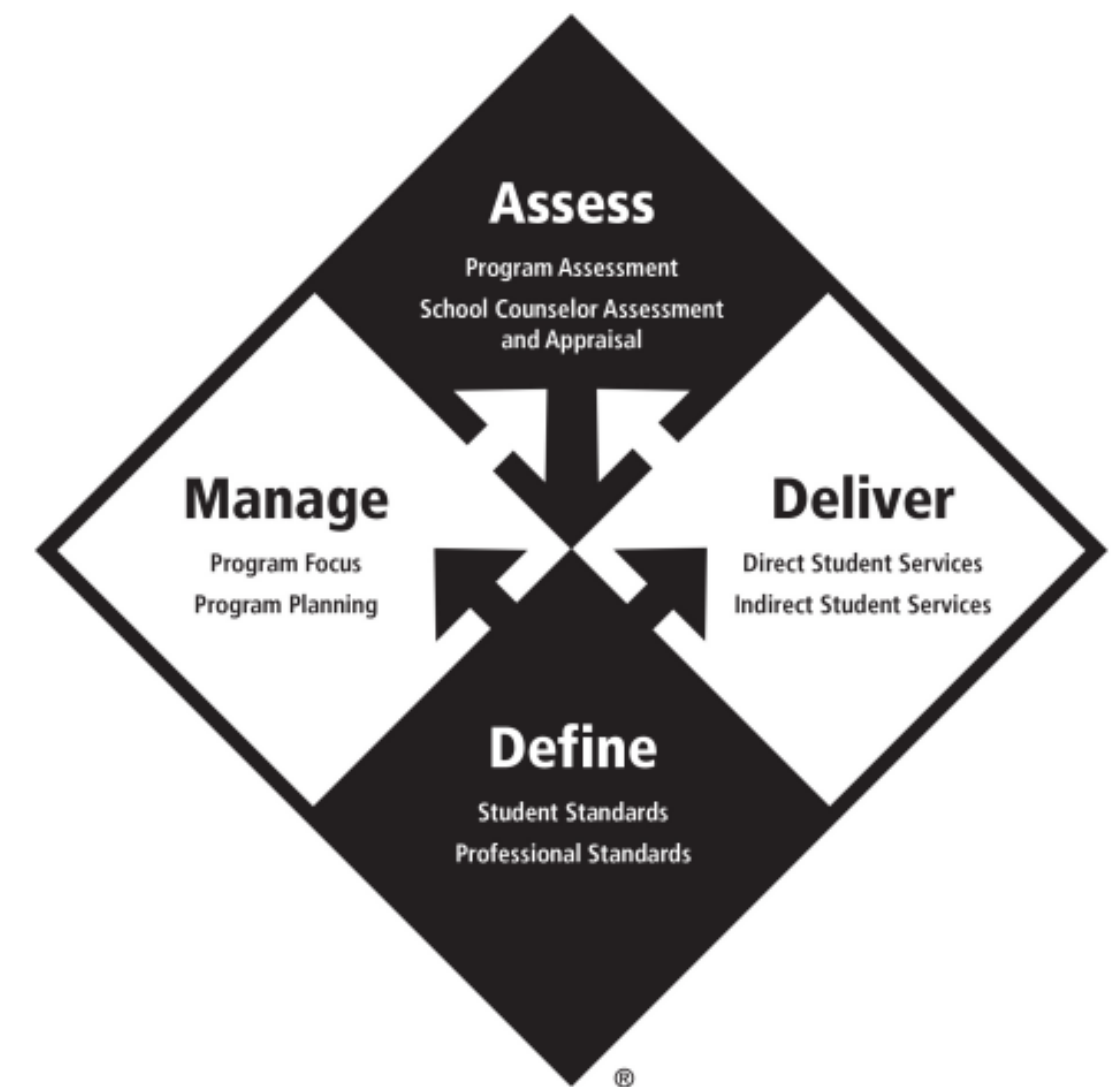
## SCHOOL COUNSELOR'S ROLE

School counselors play an essential role in creating an equitable, inclusive school culture promoting success for all.

### ► Help all students:

- apply academic achievement strategies
- manage emotions and apply interpersonal skills
- plan for postsecondary options (higher education, military, work force)

.....



The ASCA National Model diamond is a registered trademark of the American School Counselor Association.

Academic, Career, Social- Emotional



# Why School Counselors

Serve all students by engaging proactive work such as;

- ❖ Classroom guidance lessons on topics such as learning strategies
- ❖ Self-management skills
- ❖ Social skills
  - to help students meet and exceed achievement outcomes as well as improve discipline and attendance
- ❖ Interventions when students experience deficits
- ❖ *Because of the comprehensive nature of our work our title has shifted to “School Counselor”*





# The Day to Day

Daily, school counselors are:

- Leading small group sessions
- Meeting 1:1 with students to help them process the challenges impeding their day
- Creating post-secondary plans for them to be successful and prepared for the future.

School counselors

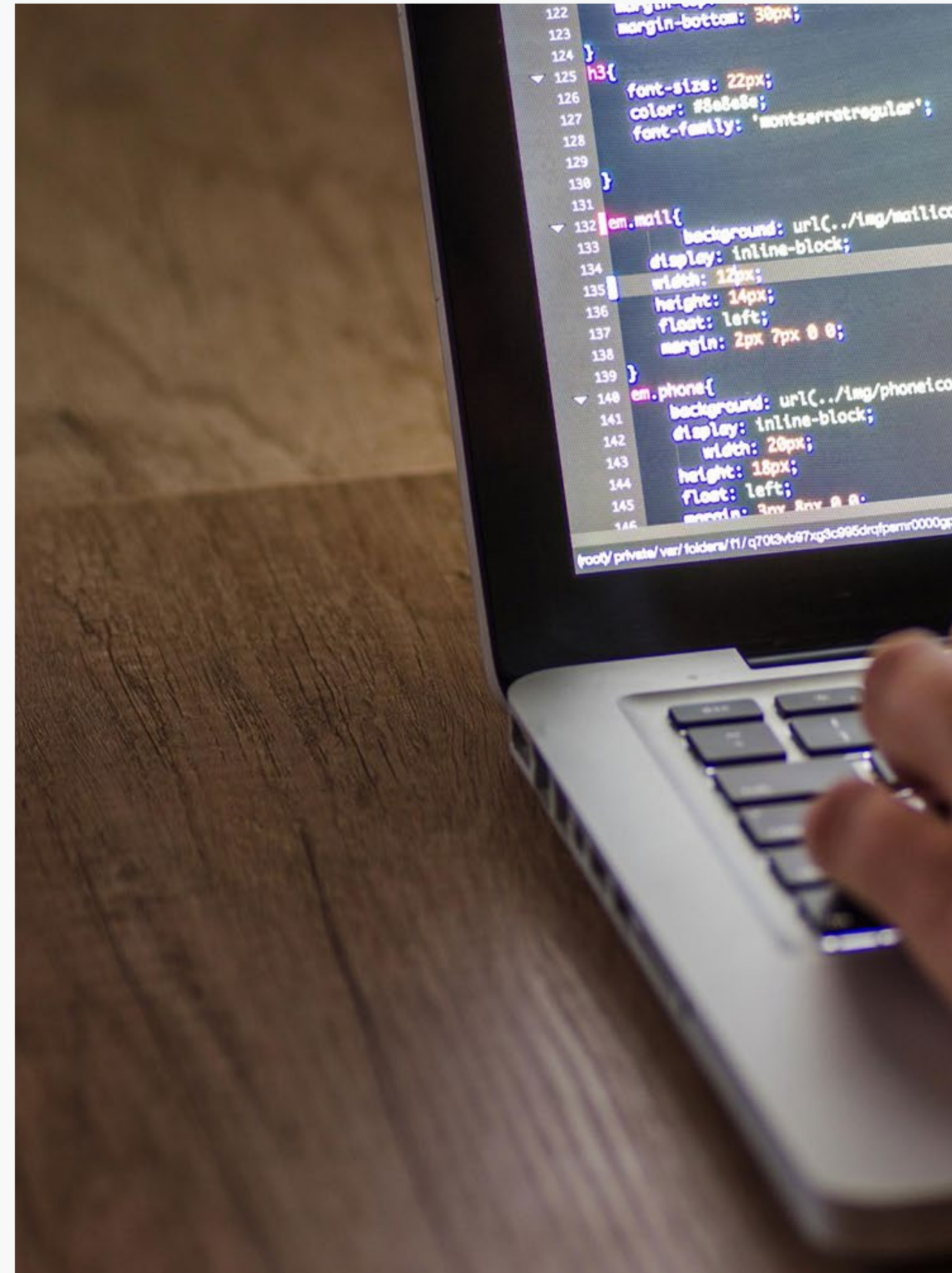
- use data to inform our daily work.
- work with the whole child.
- address the non-academic barriers of the child so that they can acquire the academics needed to succeed



# State Standards for School Counselor

---

The State Board of Education approved for the adoption of new standards in December 2023. The new standards will be the ASCA Student Standards: Mindsets and Behaviors. They will be named the North Carolina Student Success Standards.







**KEEP CALM  
YOUR SCHOOL  
COUNSELORS  
CAN HELP  
YOU!**

orem ipsum dolor sit amet,  
consectetur adipiscing elit, sed  
do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut  
labore et dolore

orem ipsum dolor sit amet,  
consectetur adipiscing elit, sed  
do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut  
labore et dolore

orem ipsum dolor sit amet,  
consectetur adipiscing elit, sed  
do eiusmod tempor incididunt ut  
labore et dolore

# **THANK YOU**

**ANY QUESTIONS?**



Vanessa Barnes [vanessagoodmanbarnes@gmail.com](mailto:vanessagoodmanbarnes@gmail.com)

Nartarshia Sharpe [president@ncschoolcounselor.org](mailto:president@ncschoolcounselor.org)