

The Importance of Counseling Consultation Circles Professional Benefits and Responsibilities

To learn more about the Linden Education Counseling Consultation Circles offered through ISCA, visit the ISCA website [here](#). Below you will find a summary of the professional standards and responsibilities related to the benefits of participating in Counseling Consultation Circles. For more information, contact ISCA, info@iscainfo.com.

1. [ASCA PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND COMPETENCIES \(ASCA, 2019\)](#)

PROFESSIONAL FOUNDATION

B-PF 3. Apply legal and ethical principles of the school counseling professional

e. Consult with school counselors and other education, counseling and legal professionals when ethical and legal questions arise

B-PF 4. Apply school counseling professional standards and competencies

b. Conduct and analyze self-appraisal and assessment related to school counseling professional standards and competencies

DIRECT AND INDIRECT STUDENT SERVICES

B-SS 5. Consult to support student achievement and success

c. Consult with school counselors and other education and counseling professionals when questions of school counseling practice arise

2. [ASCA ETHICAL STANDARDS FOR SCHOOL COUNSELORS \(ASCA, 2016\)](#)

A. RESPONSIBILITY TO STUDENTS

A.1. Supporting Student Development

School counselors:

i. Consider the involvement of support networks, wraparound services and educational teams needed to best serve students.

B. RESPONSIBILITIES TO PARENTS/ GUARDIANS, SCHOOL AND SELF

B.3. Responsibilities to Self

School counselors:

e. Engage in professional development and personal growth throughout their careers. Professional development includes attendance at state and national conferences and reading journal articles. School counselors regularly attend training on school counselors' current legal and ethical responsibilities.

f. Monitor their emotional and physical health and practice wellness to ensure optimal professional effectiveness. School counselors seek physical or mental health support when needed to ensure professional competence.

g. Monitor personal behaviors and recognize the high standard of care a professional in this critical position of trust must maintain on and off the job. School counselors are cognizant of and refrain from activity that may diminish their effectiveness within the school community.

h. Seek consultation and supervision from school counselors and other professionals who are knowledgeable of school counselors' ethical practices when ethical and professional questions arise.

References

American School Counselor Association. (2016). *ASCA ethical standards for school counselors*. Alexandria, VA: Author.

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