

# The California Standards for the School Counseling Profession

## STANDARD 3

### **UTILIZE MULTIPLE SOURCES OF INFORMATION TO MONITOR AND IMPROVE STUDENT BEHAVIOR AND ACHIEVEMENT**

School counselors assess and evaluate student attributes, behavior, and achievement using a variety of resources and methods. School counselors gather information to facilitate data-based decisions that promote student academic, career, personal, and social development. School counselors interpret and use data to work with individual students and their parents/guardians to develop plans for educational and personal success.

#### **3.1 Assess student characteristics and utilize the information to plan for individual student growth and achievement**

- assess individual student strengths, hopes, aspirations, and challenges related to academic, career, personal, and social development
- gather relevant information on items such as health and development, language and culture, classroom and community environment, learning styles, socioeconomic, and resiliency factors
- collect data from inventories, surveys, tests, and other assessments
- involve parents/guardians in the assessment and planning process for each student

#### **3.2 Interpret and use student assessment data with students and parents/guardians in developing personal, academic, and career plans**

- inform students and their parents/guardians about the meaning and importance of using multiple sources of information in considering a student's potential and life goals
- interpret and clarify test results so that students and parents can understand what the data means and how it can be used in education and life planning ["data" is plural, but most people use it as a singular noun, as it is here; up to you whether or not to change it]
- work with students to develop plans to achieve and attain their goals and aspirations

#### **3.3 Monitor student personal, academic, and career progress**

- maintain records of student academic progress toward promotion and graduation
- provide students and their parents/guardians with current assessment data to facilitate educational and career planning
- counsel students to develop healthy personal and social behavior and well-being