

The California Standards for the School Counseling Profession

STANDARD 4

COLLABORATE AND COORDINATE WITH SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES

School counselors collaborate and coordinate with school staff, parents, local community agencies, municipalities, businesses, and service organizations to facilitate student development and ensure student success in school and in life. As student advocates, school counselors develop effective working teams with school staff, parents, and community members to eliminate personal, social, and institutional barriers to academic development.

4.1 Build and maintain student support teams for student achievement

- integrate programs and services designed to meet student developmental challenges and eliminate the achievement gap
- develop learning communities of student-support professionals, parents, and community members to promote student success

4.2 Provide consultation and education for teachers and parents

- provide educational information and presentations for school staff, parents, and community members on academic, personal, social, and career development
- use ethical and professional decision-making processes to consult and collaborate with others

4.3 Develop working relationships within the school that include school staff members, parents, and community members

- build networks of individuals working within the school and community on education-related endeavors
- develop collaborative teams of educators, families, and community members, ensuring the inclusion of the diverse populations within the school and community, to maximize the support students need to become successful

4.4 Coordinate support from community agencies

- coordinate support from community businesses, industries, service clubs, agencies, and families to increase student academic achievement and work experiences
- coordinate a referral process for parents and students that facilitates access to community resources
- support a positive school environment that values diversity within the school and community