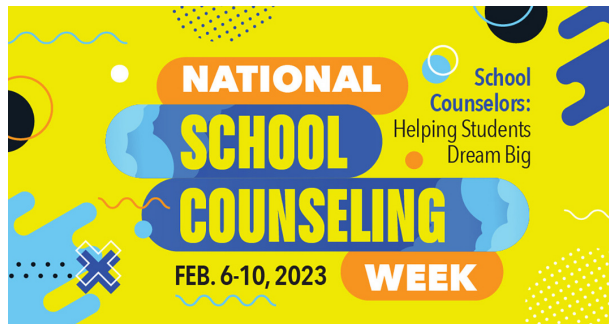


SAVE THE DATE:



National School Counseling Week - February 6-10 School Counselors: Helping Students Dream Big

National School Counseling Week is celebrated yearly to focus public attention on the unique contribution of school counselors and highlight the tremendous impact school counselors can have in helping students to be successful in school and life. We encourage school counselors to use National School Counseling Week as a way to advocate for your school counseling program. It is a week dedicated to showing students, caregivers, educators, administrators, school boards, the community, and other stakeholders the vital services and supports provided by school counselors!

Here are some ideas for how to celebrate National School Counseling Week:

- [Proclamation](#) – Ask your superintendent, mayor or another dignitary to sign a proclamation declaring Feb. 6–10, 2023, as National School Counseling Week.
- [Appreciation Certificates](#) - Show your appreciation to those faculty members, parents, and other stakeholders who help you promote your school counseling program throughout the year.
- [Press Release](#) - Send a press release to your local newspaper.
- [Morning Announcements](#) - Get your school excited about each day of National School Counseling Week by promoting the week during morning announcements.

- **Daily Photo Challenge** -
- Monday, Feb. 6: I help students dream big by...
- Tuesday, Feb. 7: Being a school counselor is a dream come true because...
- Wednesday, Feb. 8: My students help me dream big by...
- Thursday, Feb. 9: My school helps students dream big by...
- Friday, Feb. 10: My dream for the school counseling profession is...
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- **Post on Social Media** - Post about your NSCW activities using the hashtags #NSCW23, #OklahomaSchoolCounselor, and #OklaEd
- **Bulletin Board** - Decorate a bulletin board sharing all the components of your school counseling program.
- **Contact your legislator, school board members, or other elected officials** - Share a little bit about your role and how they can support you. These documents are great advocacy tools:
 - **OK Comprehensive School Counseling Framework Summary**
 - **Summary for Stakeholders**
 - **Appropriate and Inappropriate Activities for School Counselors**
- **Data Display in Teacher's Lounge** - Set up a display in the teacher's lounge sharing data from your school counseling program. Think you do not have any data to share? Share the number of students you serve vs. the recommended ratio (250:1) or share the number of counseling lessons taught this school year or share the number of small groups or share the number of individual student counseling sessions.
- **Cards** - Send cards to your favorite school counselors or school counseling mentors thanking them for all they do for the profession of school counseling.

For other fun ideas, check out hashtags from previous years on Social Media #NSCW, #NSCW22

**We would love to hear how YOU are celebrating
National School Counseling Week
and advocating for your school counseling program!**

Email us with your ideas and photos - sarah.kirk@sde.ok.gov

We will be spotlighting school counselors participating in NSCW!