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LEADING THE WAY TO
COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS



SCHOOL COUNSELOR LEADERSHIP NETWORK MEETING
OCTOBER 3, 2017 | 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

AGENDA

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Registration
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Welcome Catalina Cifuentes, Executive Director College and Career Readiness Remarks Judy White, Ed.D. Riverside County Superintendent of Schools Riverside County's Success and Initiatives Gil Compton, Director College and Career Readiness
9:10 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.	Session I
10:20 a.m. – 11:20 a.m.	Session II
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Session III
12:30 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.	Lunch
1:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	Keynote Address Jaime Casap, Education Evangelist Google
2:15 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Race to Submit FAFSA Initiative Awards ASCA National Model RAMP Awards



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SCHOOL COUNSELOR LEADERSHIP NETWORK MEETING
OCTOBER 3, 2017 | 1:15 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Jaime Casap
Education Evangelist, Google

Jaime Casap is the Education Evangelist at Google. Jaime evangelizes the power and potential of technology and the web as enabling and supporting tools in pursuit of promoting inquiry-driven project-based learning models. Working with the Google for Education Team, Jaime collaborates with school systems, educational organizations, and leaders focused on building innovation and iteration into our education policies and practices. He speaks on education, technology, innovation, and Generation Z, at events around the world.

In addition to his role at Google, Jaime serves on a number of boards for organizations focused on education, innovation, and equity. He is on the Board of Inquiry Schools, Seed Spot NEXT, and Mi Familia Vota. He is part of the Phoenix Union School District Team, who created the Phoenix Coding Academy, an inquiry-based high school designed with computer science as the core language for all students. Jaime is also an adjunct professor at Arizona State University, where he teaches classes on policy, innovation, and leadership.

SESSION I (9:10 a.m. - 10:10 a.m.)

Session:

Tools for the Trade: Using Technology to Help You Become More Efficient With Your Time

Audience:

Middle and High School

Speaker:

Guadalupe Navarrete, Head Counselor
Sequoia High School
Sequoia Union High School District

Room:

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Creating a college going culture does not have to be daunting or overwhelming when you have a large counseling caseload. Come learn the strategies you can use to create a college and career readiness culture in a school of over 2,000 students and how technology has become our best friend. You will learn how to use time saving tools and strategies such as Naviance, California Colleges.Edu, Camtasia, Google docs, The Mule, and Snagit to make better classroom presentations.

Session:

Creating a R.E.A.L. School Culture

Audience

Middle and High School

Speaker:

Sylinda Banks, Director of Student Services
Bryant Alternative High School
Fairfax County Public Schools

Room:

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This session will provide participants with the strategies implemented in an alternative high school to create a positive culture. Participants will learn how the administration and school counseling department collaboratively lead the change with R.E.A.L (Relationship, Engagement, Achievement, Leadership) strategies to improve academic achievement and graduation rates.

Session:

The School Counselor's Role in California Healthy Kids Survey

Audience:

Elementary, Middle, and High School

Speakers:

Pedro Caro, School Counselor
North Mountain Middle School
San Jacinto Unified School District

Erika Gardner, School Counselor
North Mountain Middle School
San Jacinto Unified School District

Room:

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The California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS) is a useful tool which today's school counselors can use to examine student perceptions of school safety, alcohol and drug use and levels of school connectedness. Join us in this session as we will show you how to analyze different components of the CHKS, use the information to shape school safety plans and present CHKS data to administrators, faculty, and other key stakeholders.

Session:

College and Career Readiness Counseling

Audience:

High School

Speaker:

Beth Arey, College and Career Coordinator
Evanston Township High School

Room:

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College and career readiness is a noble endeavor, but who will lead the charge? In this session we will review the role of a specialized college and career readiness counselor and the value added to district outcomes. We will review a four-year developmental model, including events and services that students and families can use as resources while exploring and transitioning through the post-high school process. Particular attention will be paid to collecting and using data in decision making.

Session:

Talking WUE... We Update & Educate

Audience:

High School

Speaker:

Gary K. Bednorz, Student Recruitment Specialist
University of New Mexico

Room:

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WUE (Western Undergraduate Exchange) is a regional tuition-reciprocity agreement that enables students from U.S. Western states to enroll in more than 150 participating two-year and four-year public institutions at reduced tuition. Each college and university determines the eligibility requirements needed to qualify. The parameters of the qualifications can vary making the program confusing! However we will equip the attendees so: Out of State doesn't mean Out of Reach!

Session:

Making College an Option Not a Possibility

Audience:

High School

Speakers:

Margarita Landeros, College Counselor
Camino Nuevo High School No. 2

Ruthie Robles, College Counselor
Camino Nuevo High School No. 2

Christopher Miller, Assistant Principal of Instruction
Camino Nuevo High School No. 2

Room:

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Comprehensive college counseling models vary based on resource availability and the vision for the program. Using a college for all mindset, this session provides insight on the implementation of research-based practices and components to support students from underrepresented backgrounds access to higher education.

Session:

Student Lounge: Creating a Safe & Supportive (and FUN) Place for Your Students

Audience:

Elementary and Middle School

Speakers:

Erika L. Zamora, School Counselor
Rosemary Kennedy Elementary School
Alvord Unified School District

Georgina Garzon
S. Christa McAuliffe Elementary School
Alvord Unified School District

Room:

Exhibit Hall C

Having a designated, welcoming, and fun environment can change your school climate. Student Lounge is a safe place where students having difficulties creating positive peer-relationships can come together to play and relax, students who are new to the school can come meet new friends, shy students are able to come and play by themselves or join others. This lounge creates an opportunity to provide interventions which will help reduce discipline issues, school counseling referrals and improve attendance and academics. Come learn how our campuses were transformed by using a bit of creativity, board games, puzzles, bean bags, and used couches!

SESSION II (10:20 a.m. – 11:20 a.m.)

Session:

The Journey to ASCA RAMP Recognition

Audience:

Elementary, Middle, and High School

Speakers:

Counseling Team
Riverside Polytechnic High School
Riverside Unified School District

Counseling Team
Santiago High School
Corona-Norco Unified School District

Room:

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Riverside Polytechnic High School and Santiago High School were both recently recognized as 2017 ASCA Model Programs (RAMP). These schools are the first high schools in our Riverside County to receive this recognition and share this honor with just two other high schools in the state. Each counseling team will be sharing their story along with advice and areas to focus on as you create a comprehensive, data driven school counseling program.

Session:

Improving At-risk Students' Academic Success

Audience:

Middle and High School

Speaker:

Sylinda Banks, Director of Student Services
Bryant Alternative High School
Fairfax County Public Schools

Room:

Raincross B

Many students struggle in school, and school counselors often struggle to assist them. This session will provide ideas and activities to increase engagement, attendance and academic success of at-risk students. Learn how one school increased graduation rates by 20 percent by changing the students' mindsets.

Session:

Using Data to Drive Small Group Intervention

Audience:

Elementary and Middle School

Speakers:

Pedro Caro, School Counselor
North Mountain Middle School
San Jacinto Unified School District

Erika Gardner, School Counselor
North Mountain Middle School
San Jacinto Unified School District

Room:

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This session is geared to school counselors of all grades and experience levels. Participants will be able to take steps to identify different types of data that are available and use that data to begin forming intentional guidance groups as a Tier 2 intervention. Additionally, participants will leave with an action plan to start collecting data at their own sites based on specific needs to support students "who need more".

Session:

Understanding the Financial Aid Award Letter

Audience:

High School

Speaker:

Beth Arey, College and Career Coordinator
Evanston Township High School

Room:

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Now that record numbers of students are completing a FAFSA, it's time to take financial aid programming a step further. In this session we will review, interpret, and compare financial aid award letters and plan for your own Understanding Financial Aid Award Letter Day.

Session:

From Stress to SUCCESS:
Finding the Perfect College and How to Pay for It!

Audience:

High School

Speaker:

Gary K. Bednorz, Student Recruitment Specialist
University of New Mexico

Room:

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With thousands of options available, deciding where to attend college can be a challenging task. However, this presentation will pave the road to the perfect choice and may even help families figure out how to pay for it! This informative and entertaining workshop covers in-state choices, out-of-state possibilities, the top reasons students choose a college, the various costs, financial aid and scholarship opportunities including WUE (Western Undergraduate Exchange).

Session:

Success for All: Transitional Services
for Students With Special Needs

Audience:

High School

Speakers:

Margarita Landeros, College Counselor
Camino Nuevo High School No. 2

Ruthie Robles, College Counselor
Camino Nuevo High School No. 2

Christopher Miller, Assistant Principal of
Instruction
Camino Nuevo High School No. 2

Room:

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This session will establish a clear framework for understanding the complex needs of providing the transitional support from high school to higher education in an individual education plan. Additionally, we will share our best practices around the belief that the transition to college does not start in the twelfth grade.

Session:

Why Internship Programs?

Audience:

High School

Speakers:

Sherry Fulcher, Internship Teacher
Santiago High School
Corona-Norco Unified School District

Eula Brown, School Counselor
Santiago High School
Corona-Norco Unified School District

Room:

Exhibit Hall C

Help your students with college and career readiness with an internship program at your site. Learn how to connect and place your students with business partners, the Chamber of Commerce, city municipalities, schools and more. Gain knowledge, valuable tools, and resources you can use with your own program.

SESSION III (11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.)

Session:

Advisory Councils as an Advocacy Tool

Audience:

Elementary, Middle, and High School

Speaker:

Catherine Wallace, School Counselor
Santiago High School
Corona-Norco Unified School District

Room:

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An advisory council provides the opportunity to relate with other stakeholders, establish a clear program vision, realize shared goals, and analyze program outcomes and data. Discover a road map for using advisory councils to your benefit and learn how to facilitate meetings that support your counseling program and student achievement.

Session:

Leading the Transformation to Improve Academic Success for At-risk Students

Audience:

Elementary, Middle, and High School

Speaker:

Tangy Millard
West Potomac High School
Fairfax County Public Schools

Room:

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As an administrator and school counselor leader, how do you assist your at-risk students? Learn how this principal of an alternative school implemented a vision to increase academic achievement of all students by rebranding the image, setting a clear vision and purpose, as well as navigating stakeholders at the district and community levels.

Session:

RaiseMe: Turning Scholarships Into an Incentive That Builds College-Going Culture

Audience:

High School

Speakers:

Amanda Schwab, Director District Partnerships
RaiseMe

Thea Lee, District Partner Associate
RaiseMe

Room:

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Every year, colleges give out tens of billions of dollars in scholarships, most of which are awarded at the very end of a student's high school career. Research suggests that this timing is often too late to impact students' college aspirations, application decisions, and post-secondary outcomes. RaiseMe flips the script on scholarships, turning them from a reward into an incentive by allowing students, starting as early as 9th grade, to earn scholarship dollars from college for individual progress and achievement, whether that's getting a good grade, volunteering in the community or joining extracurricular activities.

Session:

Increasing AP Awareness, Access & Success for College Readiness & Retention

Audience:

High School

Speakers:

Beth Arey, College and Career Coordinator
Evanston Township High School

Eric Peterson, School Counselor
Vista Murrieta High School
Murrieta Valley Unified School District

Room:

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Hear from two high schools that are promoting efforts to increase enrollment in AP courses while offering a variety of resources that encourage self-determination and promote student growth, leadership, confidence, balance and well-being. Participants will learn how to implement strategies to develop a school culture that increases AP awareness and access to opportunities while preparing students for success in college.

Session:

The UC Scout Program

Audience:

High School

Speakers:

Lisa Dominguez, Program Assistant
UC Scout Program

Kelly Ewing, Teacher Supervisor
UC Scout Program

Room:

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Scout from University of California is a SAPEP program that develops and delivers A-G approved, online classes and curriculum to students around the globe. Our course materials are designed to inspire lifelong curiosity and prepare pupils of all backgrounds and education levels for an increasingly technological world where training and job skills are mobile, asynchronous, and self-directed. Scout's mission is to reach out to educationally disadvantaged students across the state, raising achievement levels and closing achievement gaps between groups of students.

Session:

Gaining Control of Admission Testing:
Successfully Promoting Best Practices

Audience:

High School

Speaker:

Sara Dalhed
Compass Education Group

Room:

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Confusion and drama around the SAT and ACT has been relentless in the past few years. How do we give testing no more concern than it deserves while encouraging healthy decisions in a competitive environment? Fresh insights on testing will equip you to guide families to sane and successful testing behavior.

Session:

Fun & Creativity With College & Career Readiness

Audience:

Elementary and Middle School

Speakers:

Erika L. Zamora, School Counselor
Rosemary Kennedy Elementary School
Alvord Unified School District

Georgina Garzon
S. Christa McAuliffe Elementary School
Alvord Unified School District

Room:

Exhibit Hall C

Creating a college and career readiness culture doesn't have to be a daunting task. This workshop will provide fun, creative, and practical ways to promote college and career readiness at your school site. Presenters will share fun activities, lesson plans, and school-wide events that have exposed their students to college and career exploration such as Career Vehicle Day, Career Week, College Spirit Week, poster contests, Career Day planning, career inventories, Project Based Learning and much more!



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