Calling All Teachers and Administrators: A Counseling Conference for You

School counselors have for years have expressed that their best allies come from instructional staff & school leaders. This year, more than ever, all educators are approaching the unique challenges brought on by Covid19 with an openness to learning new information uncharacteristic to their roles and training. Consequently, in the spirit of sharing and collaboration the California Association of School Counselors (CASC) are inviting educators to attend a CASC sponsored virtual conference (October 8-10, 2020). This conference is designed to provide intensive and wide-ranging professional development to address the rising difficulties students are facing - mental health, equity, and disparities. The conference is affordable, has dynamic keynote presentations, and is hosting 50+ sessions to meet each participant’s diverse needs - whether you are from an urban district, rural, suburban small, large, north, south, or somewhere in-between. No way is there time to see all presentations in 2.5 days. However, we thought about that and participants will have access to recorded workshops until December 10, 2020. For more information and to register click here.

Sample Topics

- Leading Virtual Restorative Circles
- Disrupting Patterns of Oppression that Perpetuate Educational Inequities
- Strategies of Engagement: Talking to Students & Families About Race
- Solution Focused Schools: Ideas & Practices That Lead To Success
- Engaging Disengaged Students
- Enhancing Student & Families Well-Being: Family Resource Center Model
- Creating Virtual Calming Rooms
- Creating a Safe and Caring School Culture During COVID-19
- Association of California School Administrators Equity Platform
- Closing the Black Student Achievement Gap Through an Equitable Lens
- 5 Radical Minutes, Crisis Management
- Mental Health First Aid and Other Free CDE PD Trainings for Teachers
- Promoting Safety, Inclusion and Well-Being For LGBTQ Students
- Transformative Social Emotional Learning
- COVID-19, Civil Rights & SEL: Exploring Proactive Measures
- Facilitating Engaging Group Activities Online
- Collaborating with Clinical Counselors: Experiences, Practices, & Implications
- A Best Practice District for Mental Health Services
- Social Justice & Youth Marijuana & Vaping
- California Uniting Community & School Mental Health
- Cutting Through Layers of Grief & Trauma During Global Pandemic
- Providing Mental Health Services in Small School Districts
- Developing Virtual Systems For Checking-in On Students
- Disrupting Patterns of Oppression & Educational Inequities
- Facilitating Engaging Group Activities Online
- Mindful Classrooms - Mindful Schools
- Adolescent Voices - There Experiences, Concerns, & Needs
- Lessons From the Heart, In the Heart of Racial Unrest
- Click & Go Resources - Sample Lessons, PowerPoint & More

Other Features:

- Q&A Exchanges with Workshop Presenters
- Meet the Experts Workshop Events
- Small Group Discussion Lead By Mental Health Professionals

Notable General Session Speakers Include:

- Dr. Carl Cohn, Podcast Host: Schools on the Frontline
- Toney Thurmond, State Superintendent of Public Instruction
- Dr. Nadine Burke Harris, California’s First-Ever Surgeon General
- Derek Francis, District Lead School Counselor, Minneapolis-Saint Paul, Minnesota