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*Speakers Bureau*



# Deirdra Williams

NATIONAL LEVEL SPEAKER AND COUNSELOR

Deirdra has earned a Master's degree in School Counseling and School Administration. She also is a National Board Certified Teacher in K-12 School Counseling. She applies her knowledge each day maintaining a comprehensive school counseling program, and serving as a certified trainer for the American School Counselor Association. She enjoys working at the secondary level, ensuring her students position themselves well to have a positive transition to meet their chosen college and career goals. She believes all students can learn and educators must meet them where they are to get them moving.

Deirdra has been a school counselor for over 22 years. She uses advocacy, collaboration, and leadership to influence systemic changes that support achievement for all students. Using the framework of the ASCA National Model has strengthened her abilities and created even more positive outcomes for students. During her tenure she has led two separate counseling teams to RAMP status, one in the school's second year of existence. She has been a RAMP Reviewer, a lead RAMP Reviewer and now serves as a RAMP team captain. She enjoys supporting counselors in documenting the work of their school counseling program as well as helping counselors and administrators to strengthen their partnerships for the sake of student achievement.

## A BRIEF LOOK AT DEIRDRA'S WORKSHOPS

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### **ASCA National Model: 4th Edition**

The 4th edition of the ASCA National Model is now in circulation. The intent of the new edition is to continue to streamline the process and the language to make implementation easier. Whether you are new to the ASCA national model or a RAMPed school, you will learn about the changes and how it impacts how you document your work in maintaining your comprehensive school counseling program.

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### **The Model Works! Developing and Using ASCA National Model Documents**

Stop the talk! Dig in and just do it. Change your ASCA National Model from talk to action. Complete actual documents to show the work of your school counseling program. Need a mission statement? Not sure how to complete a results report? Leave this session with actual working documents you can share with your building administrator and other stakeholders. Are you ahead of the game and just need to prepare your RAMP application? Join the session and be ready to meet the next deadline. School counseling teams are encouraged to attend.

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Contact Robert Rabon at [rraboon@ncyi.org](mailto:rraboon@ncyi.org) or 423-309-4300 to engage Deirdra for your event

### **Counselor/Administrator Relationships - The Great Husky Partnership for Student Achievement**

Need a more effective working relationship with your principal and other administrators? The administrative and RAMP counseling teams at Heritage High School have been intentional in supporting student achievement since the school opened in 2010. Come learn how you can apply their best practices to develop or enhance your working relationship with school administrators. Attendees will learn specific strategies for developing and maintaining positive and meaningful relationships with administrators for the sake of student academic, attendance and behavior achievement.

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### **A Closer Look: Student Outcome Goals and Mindsets & Behaviors Action Plan**

Student centered and data driven! Developing annual student outcomes for achievement, attendance or discipline, and identifying student standards are important elements of maintaining a comprehensive school counseling program. In this session, participants will take an even closer look at and learn how to complete these forms. Most importantly, counselor will discuss best practices in sharing these products with stakeholders.

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