School Counselors

SUPPORTING SUCCESS FOR ALL STUDENTS

School Counselors Improve Four Key Factors of Success by:



Individual academic planning and goal setting



Implementing prevention science principles



Standards-based, datadriven systemic supports



Collaborating with teachers and parents

School Counselors help with College Readiness

College Enrollment Rates



Four-year college enrollment rates increase from 2.3% to 17.5% when an additional high school counselor is hired

College Applications



Students who work with a school counselor before 10th grade are 2-3.5 times more likely to apply to college

School Counselor Ratios Matter



The national recommendation for counselors to students ratio is 1:250



The ratio in Utah schools for counselors to students is 1:544

With a 1:250 ratio graduation rate is 91%



Utah's graduation rate is 88%

School Counselors are Professionally Licensed

Utah school counselors implement the Utah College and Career Readiness School Counseling Program Model, which includes academic, career, social emotional, and global citizenship supports. Additionally they must:



Have a master's degree in School Counseling



Meet Educator Licensing standards



Participate in continuing professional learning

