Indian Prairie School District's Framework for School Counselors

based upon 2013 Danielson Framework for Teaching Evaluation Instrument

Domain 1 - Planning and Preparation

1a: Demonstrating Knowledge of District/School Programming and Counseling Techniques

Knowledge of counseling theory and techniques

1b: Demonstrating Knowledge of Students, including Child and Adolescent Development

- Knowledge of child and adolescent development
- Knowledge of personal, environmental or experiential needs

1c: Establishing A Counseling Plan with Goals Appropriate to the Setting and the Students Served

- Appropriate to the setting and age of the student
- Consultation with students, parents and colleagues

1d: Demonstrating Knowledge of and Access to Resources

- Integrating with the regular school program
- Including developmental guidance
- Including intervention and responsive services

1e: Developing a Plan to Evaluate Counseling Services

- Clear goals are identified
- Collection of evidence
- Consistent implementation

Domain 2 – The Environment

2a: Creating an Environment of Safety, Respect and Rapport

- Counselor interaction with students
- Student interactions with other students

2b: Establishing a Culture for Productive Communication in the School Community

- Among students or teachers
- Between students and staff

2c: Managing Routines, Procedures and Physical Space

- Effective routines
- Prioritizing time-sensitive tasks
- Management of physical space

2d: Establishing Standards of Conduct and Contributing to the Culture for Student Behavior Throughout the School

- Contribution to the culture for student behavior
- Clear standards for counseling sessions

Reflecting on Professional Practice

Domain 4 – Professional Responsibilities

4a: Reflecting on Practice

- Self-Assessment
- Utilization of alternative strategies

4b: Maintaining Accurate Records and Using Appropriate Data to Guide Practice

- Submitting records in a timely fashion
- Management of accurate records

4c: Communicating with Families, Staff and Community

- Providing appropriate and accurate information
- Maintaining Confidentiality

4d: Growing Individually and Collectively as a Professional

- Pursuing Professional Development
- Contribute to the Counseling Profession

4e: Showing Professionalism

- Integrity and ethical conduct
- Service to students, colleagues, and community
- Advocacy

Domain 3 – Delivery of Service

3a: Communicating Clearly and Accurately with Stakeholders

- Accuracy of assessing student needs
- Collaboration with support staff
- Knowledge of students needs

3b: Implementing Individual and Group Counseling Techniques and Activities

- Academic Plans
- Personal/Social Plans
- Career Plans
- Knowledge of student needs

3c: Leveraging School, Staff, and community Resources to Advocate for and Meet Student Needs

- Addressing academics, personal/social, and career
- Decision making and problem solving
- Variation of settings

3d: Assessing Student Needs to Provide Program Services

- Academic Plans
- Personal/Social Plans
- Career Plans
- Self-Assessment, Self-Advocacy

3e: Demonstrating Flexibility and Responsiveness

- Response to the student, parent or teacher
- Continually improving the counseling program

Common Themes: Equity, Cultural Competence, High Expectations, Developmental Appropriateness, Attention to Individual Students (including those with special needs), Appropriate Use of Technology, Student Assumption of Responsibility