

South Dakota School Counselor Association

UNITE, SUPPORT, EMPOWER

Greetings New SDSCA Member!

The South Dakota School Counselor Association (SDSCA) would like to take a moment to thank you for joining your professional organization. Our mission is to unite, support & empower school counselors and to that end, we invite you to become involved as much as you are able. Please visit our website for updates often: www.sdschoolcounselors.com, find us on Facebook: South Dakota School Counselor Association , on Twitter: @SDSCounselors, SDSCA members only listserve (granted upon joining by Membership Chair Jackie Pew). If you are interested in receiving mentoring, please contact Mentoring Chair Danielle Schonebaum@k12.sd.us.

Additionally, our board has planned some dates you may want to put on your calendar: **November 2 & 3, 2018** – 10th Annual Counselor Connections Workshop, in Brookings on the SDSU campus. A school counselor designed conference where school counselors can meet to collaborate & network, register online here: <u>https://bit.ly/20yyelv</u>

January 25, 2019 – Day on the Hill in Pierre, board members will advocate for our organization, schools and children along with SDCA members

February 4-9, 2019– National School Counseling Week! Start planning to celebrate and advocate for you, your program, and the profession by visiting: <u>www.schoolcounselor.org</u>

May 2-4, 2019 – Annual SDCA Spring Conference in Sioux Falls: <u>www.sdcounseling.org</u>

June 29-July 2, 2019—"Revolutionary Ideas" ASCA Annual Conference in Boston, Mass.

We encourage you to be involved in South Dakota Counseling Association and your local chapter as much as you are able, and if the opportunity arises, take on a leadership position within our organization. Board member information is on our website if you have questions or thoughts about SDSCA, on behalf of the board I welcome you to SDSCA. I hope the accompanying materials (tips for new school counselors, annual calendar, infographic) are helpful for you.

Sincerely,

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