

High School Advisement Model

Overview

This model creates an advisement (Advisor-Advisee) program consisting of teams created at the local level. Each team consists of one counselor, one Administrator, and at least three teachers in grades 8 through 12 to enhance college and career coaching and allow for a seamless transition into postsecondary educational programs (technical and academic), and in-demand jobs. Local teams coordinate at the state level through the Division of Career Technical Education. State level coordination provides access to local teams with technical assistance and support, training, and an opportunity to collaborate with teams from other school districts or charter schools around the state, as well as transition coordinators existing within the technical colleges at our public postsecondary institutions.

Local team members are assigned to a group of students, the advisor remains with assigned students throughout each students' high school career; tracking student progress and progression and providing advising support until graduation. Advisement is primarily conducted during regular school hours, with a few afterschool hours for parental engagement. Team members work together to understand the total school program to advise students accordingly. This results in fewer "silos" and increased collaboration and support of each other.

High School Advisement Team responsibilities

- Serves students based on a grade cohort, ensuring that all students in the grade cohort has a connection with a supportive adult staff member.
- Coordinates other school staff involvement, each staff member connects with a smaller number of students— no more than 12-20 students.
- Advisor builds relationship with student and with parents and guardians.

Delivery

This model depends on bi-weekly advisor-advisee meetings that are built into the school day and provide at least a 40-minute period of time. These advisor-advisee group meetings consist of no more than 20 students and connect students and parents to a team dedicated to guiding students to learn more about postsecondary options, regional, and statewide industry opportunities and allow for team-supported, yet personalized college and career training coaching experiences.

Cost

Advisement team training is provided through the Division of Career Technical Education. The average cost for the High School Advisement team training is estimated to be \$12,900 - \$19,350 per institution, which depends on team members trained and size of school. Advisement leadership stipend (award), travel, curriculum writing, and supplies are factored into this regional training model. Teams train on-site at their regional college and/or online.

Performance

Measures

School districts and charter schools using funds provided through the college and career advising allocation will be required to report on the effectiveness of their program. Performance measures must align to the requirements pursuant to Idaho Code §33-1212A. Measures may vary depending on students served and could include the following:

- Go on rate (including in-state, out-of-state and workforce training)
- Positive placement rate (includes the number of individuals who join the workforce and military in addition to the go on rate)
- Advanced opportunities (includes the number of courses taken for dual credit and technical competency credit at all Idaho public institutions)
- FAFSA and college application completion rates
- Career plan completion rates

Who to Contact

School districts and charter schools that are interested in the High School Advisement Program should contact:

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