

I AM ASCA

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WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE THING ABOUT BEING A SCHOOL COUNSELOR? My students; I love helping guide students as they discover their identity and their future potential.

WHAT'S SOMETHING IMPORTANT YOU'VE LEARNED FROM YOUR STUDENTS? I've learned the need for representation and why it's important to see a role model in your life. They remind me every day of my purpose on my campus.

WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN YOU NEED TO DECOMPRESS/ELIMINATE STRESS/ REFUEL FOR THE NEXT DAY? Spend time with my two dogs

WHY IS IT IMPORTANT FOR YOU TO BE PART OF A COMMUNITY OF SCHOOL COUNSELORS WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL STUDENTS? It's important for me to be part of the ASCA community because I have a network of support, and I am challenged (in a good way) to keep reflecting and excelling.

WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN YOU NEED INSPIRATION TO TACKLE ANOTHER DAY WORKING ON BEHALF OF STUDENTS? I listen to music and/or I go on Instagram or Facebook and look at what other school counselors are doing. When I see others' amazing work, it refocuses me on the reason why I'm a school counselor.

WHAT WOULD YOU BE DOING IF YOU WEREN'T A SCHOOL COUNSELOR? If I weren't a school counselor, I would be either a journalist or lawyer.

FAST FACTS > WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE SONG? "FREEDOM" BY BEYONCE > **WHAT'S YOUR COFFEE ORDER?** VANILLA LATTE > **WHAT'S YOUR GUILTY PLEASURE?** WATCHING BUNNY THE DOG VIDEOS ON INSTAGRAM > **WHAT SUPERPOWER DO YOU WISH YOU HAD?** TELEPORTATION > **WHAT'S ONE THING YOU'RE REALLY GOOD AT?** LEARNING > **WHAT'S SOMETHING YOU THINK MOST PEOPLE DON'T KNOW ABOUT YOU?** I DIDN'T GET MY DRIVER'S LICENSE UNTIL AFTER I WAS 30.

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