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American School Counselor Association Issues RFP to Support Comprehensive School Counseling Research

ALEXANDRIA, VA. – The American School Counselor Association (ASCA) is accepting research project proposals for its 2019 grants. In the request for proposals (RFP), ASCA invites researchers to submit projects that address one of the following areas:

- Effectiveness of the ASCA National Model in improving specific student outcomes (e.g., career readiness, academic achievement, self-esteem, absenteeism, graduation, etc.)
- Effectiveness of RAMP (Recognized ASCA Model Program) vs. non-RAMP in improving specific student outcomes
- The optimal student-to-school-counselor ratio for effective school counseling practice
- Effectiveness of the ASCA Mindsets & Behaviors for Student Success in improving social/emotional learning, funded by a grant from the <u>Learning</u> Policy Institute.

Since launching the grants program in 2017, ASCA has awarded nearly \$90,000 in funding for a total of 11 research projects. These projects have provided, and continue to provide, valuable research that supports effectiveness of school

counselors and comprehensive school counseling programs in improving student outcomes.

Review the ASCA Research Grant RFP for proposal requirements including eligibility details and submission guidelines at www.schoolcounselor.org/grants. Proposals must be submitted electronically to ahickman@schoolcounselor.org no later than May 1, 2019. Grant recipients will be notified in July 2019.

About the American School Counselor Association

The American School Counselor Association (ASCA) is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) professional organization based in Alexandria, Va. ASCA promotes student success by expanding the image and influence of school counseling through leadership, advocacy, collaboration and systemic change. ASCA helps school counselors guide their students toward academic achievement, career planning and social/emotional development to help today's students become tomorrow's productive, contributing members of society. Founded in 1952, ASCA has a network of 50 state and territory associations and a membership of approximately 36,000 school counseling professionals. For additional information on the American School Counselor Association, visit www.schoolcounselor.org.