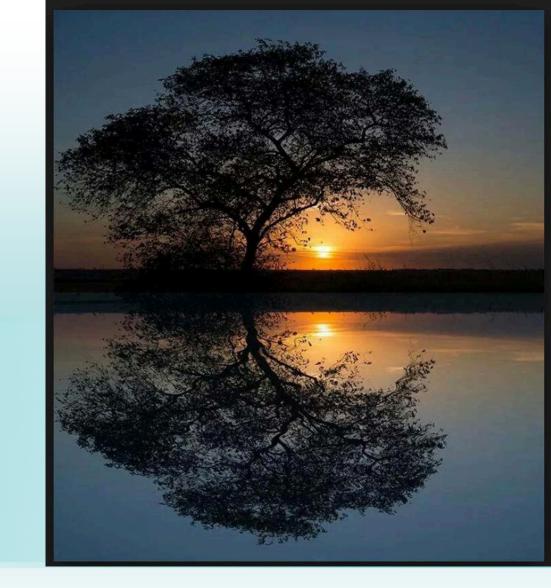
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By three methods we may learn wisdom:

- First, by reflection, which is the noblest;
- Second, by imitation, which is easiest;
- Third, by experience, which is the bitterest.-- Confucius



Reflection: Advocacy: Sustainability:

Reflections:

- How did your Counselor Corps action plan reflect on your school and school counseling program mission?
- What impacted you most through this experience?
- What mistakes, challenges, difficulties did you learn from?
- How did you make a difference in your school?
- Who would you tell?

Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter.

Advocacy Martin Luther King, Jr.



Ways to Share/Advocate

End of year faculty meeting

Leadership Meeting

Advisory Council

PTA meetings and newsletters

SC bulletin boards

School board presentation.



Reflection on How to Advocate

- Explain what the data tells you about your intervention:
 - What worked,
 - What didn't,
 - What else might be needed.
 - What adjustments might you make?
- Who are your stakeholders?
- How will stakeholders know the results of your program?

Do's for Advocacy

- Make it easy.
- Write succinctly on results report template, supporting graphs and charts
- Pay attention to all types of data
- Know what your results are actually telling.
- Develop meaningful perception data
- Use mindsets and behaviors to describe change
- Develop a culture of informing others
- Pay attention to the activities that do not seem to work
- Use result to hone interventions

Don'ts to Advocacy

- Don't quit when the results are counter to what you hoped
- Don't discount small results. They might turn out to be significant
- Don't continue to do something that had been documented as ineffective
- Don't forget to think seriously about the implications of your results.
- Don't forget to use all three types of data
- Don't confuse perception data with outcome data
- Don't use meaningless data.
- Don't create long and complicated data assessments
- Don't create charts that lack meaning.

Change is easy to propose, hard to implement, and especially hard to sustain.

Andrew Hargreaves

Sustainability

Sustainability: ON Going Learning

- Where are we now?
- Where do we want to go?
 - What is working,
 - What needs to be tweaked,
 - What needs to be replaced?
 - Why were things successful or unsuccessful?
- How will we get there?
- How will we keep the momentum going?

Hutton (2015 Evidenced Based School Counseling Conference)

6 Steps to Ensure Sustainability:

- Keeping the priorities the priorities- don't let you eye wander from the most important interventions you are implementing.
- Ensure that you **continue to monitor** the fidelity of intervention implementation and collect data regarding outcomes continuously.
- Build a data system that provides regular updates that are easy to manage and relevant to the school's goals.
- Strive to create systems that are efficient and economical, so you are not spending all your time in maintenance and data-crunching roles.
- Choose evidence-based practices when possible.
- Celebrate successes and improvements along the way.

So What Now?

- What plan have you developed to maintain these positions, programs, impact?
- What will you adjust?
- Who will you include?
- What do you want it to look like 5-10 years from now?

Advise for the next generation

What would you tell the next generation of grantees?

The past is your lesson. The present is your gift.

The future is your motivation.

