Counseling and Career Development in a Time of Uncertainty
Thursday, April 9, 3:00 p.m. EDT

15:11:04 From Speranta Klees: Laura Ross, ASCA Counselor of the Year!!!! CONGRATULATIONS

15:11:14 From Michael: How are you addressing students with special needs?
15:14:13 From Shelly Thome: Michael- that is a huge matter that we must all address, sometimes on an individual basis for the student. In our district we met with every teacher to remind them of the need to continue accommodations/mods/services. Provided tip sheets of how such accommodations can be implemented online/remotely. Personal reach out to every student to verify accessibility to internet and computer- checked out computers to those who need them. Check ins weekly by counselors that accommodations are happening and to be made aware of any new hurdles.

15:19:19 From Shelly Thome: I welcome any templates from others!

15:22:12 From Vanessa Ruda: Hi from Central Kentucky! Our special education department is holding open chats from 9:00 -12:00 each day. Our school is a CTE center working with two high schools and two middle schools, so they serve as liaisons between our center and those schools. Our district wants us to make sure we have contact with every student on our rosters at least once per week. I coordinate the work experience program, so I have over 200 students on my roster. I'm doing the best I can. Trying to get a groove going.

15:23:29 From Robert Koch: Maslilo Hierarchy of needs should guide us

15:25:29 From Kristen Shultz: In NYS some students have access to career plans on their accounts on CareerZone. Schools involved in CFES (College and Careers For Every Student) have access to college and career planning through their web page as well.

15:26:13 From lauramiller: Has anyone heard anything from entities that proctor certification exams? For example; CNA, manufacturing, or business certifications? Are they creating ways for students to take certification exams during this time?

15:27:05 From Kara Mueller: What do you use to create the cartoon video?
15:28:08 From Shelly Thome: Marilynn- can you please speak to the elementary packet provided by the recruiters. This is awesome career exploration.
From sherrywilliams: One cartoon maker = Powtoons

From Jeremy: MSSC has joined with ProctorU to offer testing remote.

From Student Opportunities: Yes, check out the COVID-19 link on the landing page of louisianabelieves.com. It will link to a variety of resources provided to school system in Louisiana.

From Shelly Thome: Arizona also has such a resource page and our District has created a student page on the website with many resources.

From Vanessa Ruda: We do a lot of college promotion in the fall. Right now we are usually helping seniors solidify plans for next year, and taking college campus visits with juniors. No visits, of course so we will need to focus on that more in the fall. Our student ambassador team also had several Career Pathway Fairs scheduled with elementary schools in our district. All of those have been cancelled. Students in the work experience program are not being required to submit work schedules or pay reports right now. Some of them have no job, at this point. Instead I created a Google Form I call the "MOW Report"--i.e. Measure of Wellness report. Questions posed enable me to evaluate needs, mental health concerns, etc. and be very intentional about reaching them in a timely manner.

From Julio Perez: I had some students In Miami-Dade County that were going to take industry certification exams to obtain a waiver for the virtual credit for graduation. But now not sure how these students will meet the requirement if they cant take the industry exams.

From Michelle Wilson: State of Indiana Governor announced last Thursday, we will be out for the remainder of the school year. It is anticipated summer school will be on line/ e learning as well.

From Laura Ross: same in Georgia.

From Shelly Thome: Thank you Jill for mentioning the need to check on one another during this time. Many times we focus so much on the student well-being that we forget to check on each other as well. They are all under extraordinary stress to be all to everybody.

From Michelle Wilson: Julie.. What do you use for "office hours" to enable those who wish to reach out to you.

From Julie Hill: Zoom--different session link than published for students If they need a one on one, we can set that up as well.

From Michael: Is anyone working with the CTSO's, JA.

From Michael: JAG, AVID, Skills USA.

From Katie Mehin: For certifications, we've found that we can contact each agency and most of them are making alternatives either providing live remote proctoring options, extending the timeframe for testing, or waiving regular requirements or giving alternatives -- such as work hours in lieu of extern hours; or sign off of skills by teacher instead of extern.

From Rick Casey: Many industry certification test vendors (e.g. CompTIA) are developing virtual proctoring options. Check with your local test centers for updates as it is evolving daily.
From Katrina Ruggles: You Science is paired with Precision

From cgraham: Hello! For those of you who work with high school students, how responsive have they been in attending career development activities via Zoom, Skype, etc?

From Karen Ingram: There is an NCCER training designed for certification testing. I'll just left that meeting.

From Barbara Kindler Gaines: Yes - many are looking at the ability to proctor virtually so students can still complete.

From Rick Casey: Voucher deadlines for many industry certification have also been extended.

From lauramiller: Thank you all for your wonderful information on certifications! I'll start checking with our local agencies.

From Robert Koch: I work with Practical Nursing High School students who can not go clinical at nursing homes and hospitals which are required for certification. We are on COVID hold. We will figure this out when restrictions are lifted or if the state puts out COVID exemptions.

From Jody Sniff: Is there a way for you to share these packets?

From Barbara Kindler Gaines: This may have already been stated but some of our students have been able to demonstrate some skills via video and share with instructors. It doesn’t work in all cases but might in some.

From Smitha: I didn’t register for this meeting, I was forwarded a link. How can I get you my contact information to receive the follow up materials?

From Rudy Sanchez: Teach Emotional Agility (smile!)

From Robert Koch: Siver Lining School for so many is the only new normal which is normalizing the crisis for so many families.

From Shelly Thome: Julie, Thank you for mentioning the importance of modeling the calm and emotional regulation for those around you.

From Vanessa Ruda: I have a small farm. New baby goats and chicks, regular chores have been my peace.

From Tiffany Jackson: Walking away has been my challenge as well.

From Kristen Shultz: Meditation and walks with family help! Setting boundaries and office hours is key for self preservation.

From AARON SAENZ: you can also access everyone’s email in the Reports section. it’s also a great way to take attendance :)

From Speranta Klees: wonderful webinar. THANKS

From MaeganMellick: This was sooo awesome! I love being a school counselor!

From Duke Wallin: Thank you very much for the presentation.

From MaeganMellick: <3!!!!!

From lauramiller: Great to connect with all of you across the country! Take care of yourselves! School counselors are the best!

From Shelly Thome: Nicole- -Thank you so much for facilitating a meaningful, engaging and supportive webinar.

From Smitha: This was really great, thank you!!!