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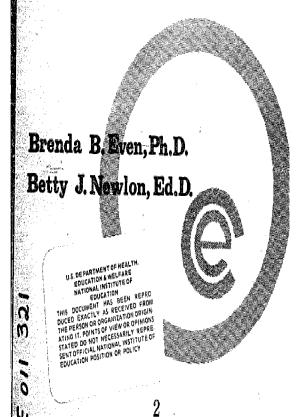
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ABSTRACT

The school counselor is viewed as the most effective career education change agent in the guidance model presented in this booklet. The model, termed "developmental career guidance," is primarily presented in full-page illustrations showing the counselor's (with a combined consultant function) role in the following cooperative relationships: The counselor and administrator, teacher, student, parents, and community. The planning and implementation process of the consultant strategy is also illustrated. A step-by-step guide for establishing the consultant strategy is outlined. The authors suggest that if there is no counselor in a school, the model can be made applicable to another resource person serving as a career education change agent. Available resources and materials available from the University of Arizona Career Education Project are listed. (TA)

CAREER EDUCATION:
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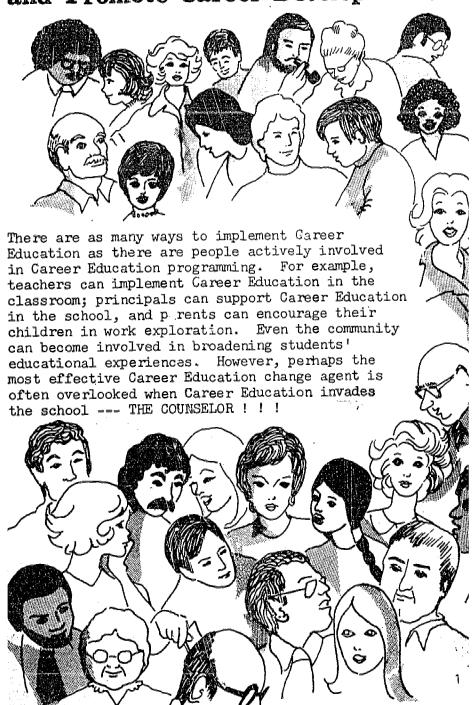
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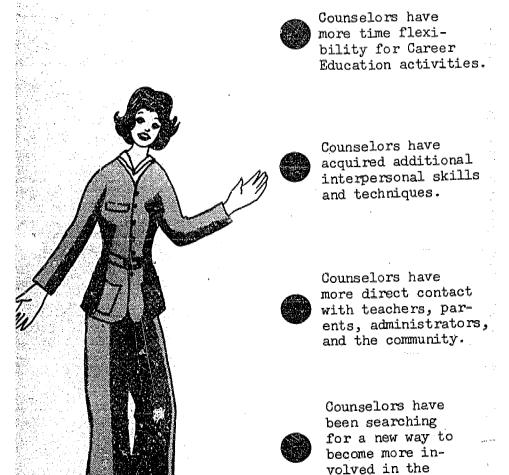


Who Can Do Career Education and Promote Career Development?





Why Pick On The Counselor? ...for a number of reasons. . .

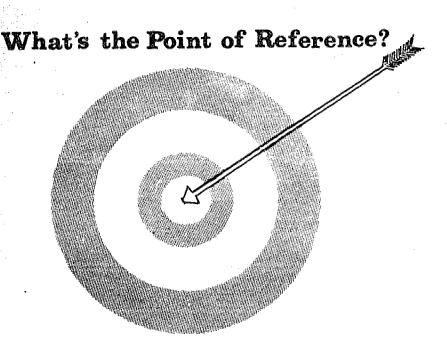


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For the Consultant Model, Career Education equals DEVELOPMENTAL CAREER GUIDANCE.

DEVELOPMENTAL --- of or connected with a specific step or stage in growth.

CAREER --- the pattern of one's progress through life, as well as one's longitudinal advancement in a vocation.

GUIDANCE --- that unique aspect of the educational process which specifically deals with assisting young people to analyze their needs, assess their potentialities, outline their life goals, determine a plan of action and begin to accomplish it.

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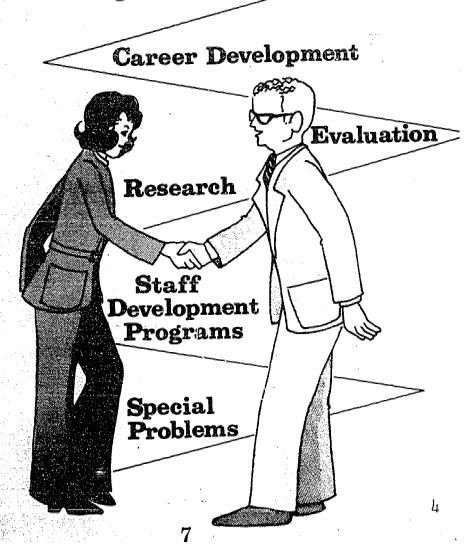




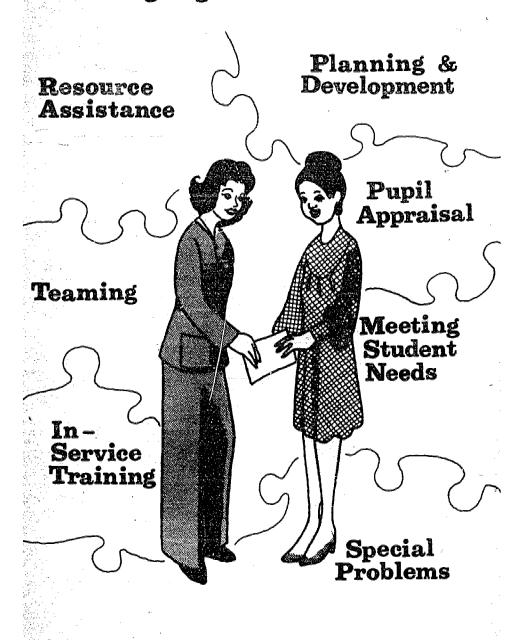
What Does The Model Look Like?

Developmental Career Guidance, combined with the Counselor as a Consultant, results in the following cooperative relationships:

The Counselor And The Administrator working together in terms of...



The Counselor And The Teacher working together in terms of. . .

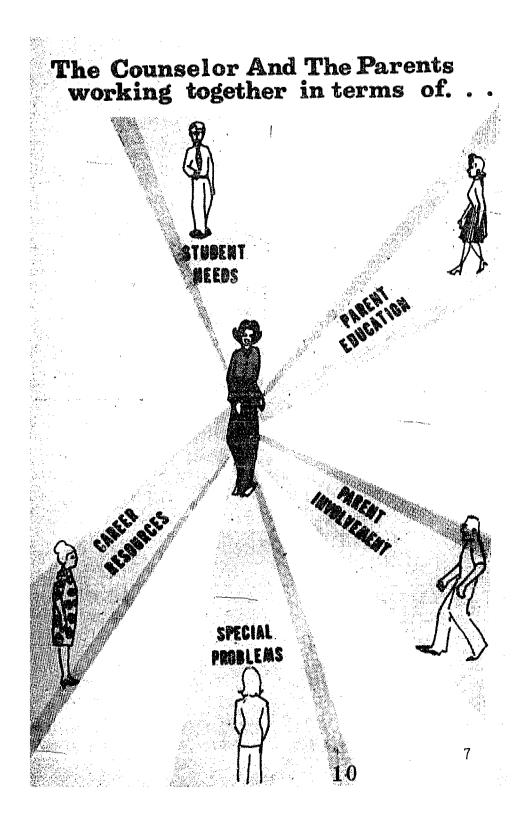




The Counselor And The Student working together in terms of. . .

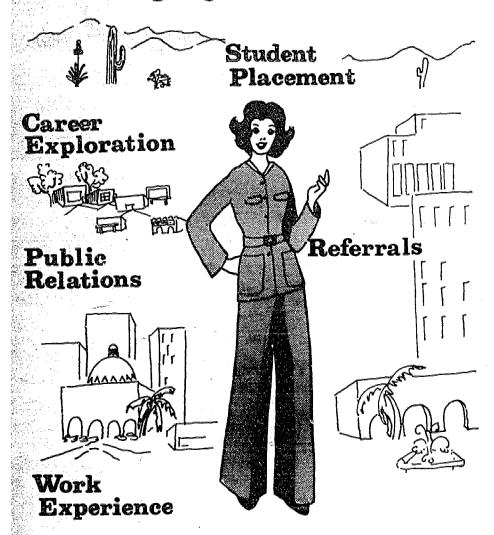








The Counselor And The Community working together in terms of. . .



Community Resources

What Is The Implementation Process

The following illustrates the continuous planning and implementation process of the consultant strategy:

Needs Assessment

Evaluation

Material Synthesis

Planning and Implementation Process

Implementation

Tentative Plan

Finalized Plan



What Happens When. . .?

It is important to remember that educational changes occur more easily when one follows the directions in the recipe and omits none of the ingredients! There are a number of steps one should follow when establishing the consultant strategy.



Step-by-Step Consultant Ingredients

- 1. Define the role.
- 2. Examine the objectives.
- Assess specific needs.
- 4. Contact principal and discuss role.
- 5. Outline possible program and submit for approval.
- 6. Familiarize remainder of school personnel with consultant role.
- 7. Use and publicize information center.
- 8. Seek out those who wish to become involved.
- 9. Assist those interested in determining their needs.
- 10. Suggest ideas and materials for Career Education activities.
- 11. Check resources.
- 12. Assist interested individuals in the total process of developing Career Education activities.
- 13. Team to present Career Education activities or model the presentation.
- 14. Examine the effectiveness of activities.
- 15. Continue the procedure with other interested individuals.
- 16. Evaluate the procedure and initiate changes.



What Activities Can The Consultant Be Involved In? ...Career Education activities can include. . .



Decision Making Opportunities

Career Research

Vocational Interest Inventories

Leisure Time Involvement

Appreciation and Attitude
Development

Educational and Career Awareness





Ability and Aptitude Identification
Work Exploration Experiences

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Vocational Preparation



Guest Speakers

Observation Trips

Goal Setting Experiences



Manpower Needs
Work Attitudes
Saleable Skills



What If There's No Counselor?

So the school doesn't have a counselor. Other members of the school community - - - principal, teacher, parent, librarian, and community representative - - - can serve as the Career Education change agent. The model, process, and step-by-step ingredients of the consultant strategy are still applicable, but it will be necessary for individuals other than counselors to adapt them to fit their own frame of reference.





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