CONNECTING INDIVIDUALS WITH SOCIAL SERVICES: THE ACADEMIC LIBRARY'S ROLE

WHOLE PERSON LIBRARIANSHP

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Librarians!

Human Helpers
29% of college students nationwide have household incomes below $20,000.

YOUR STUDENTS

Data from the National Center for Education Statistics.
35% of college students nationwide are parents or have dependents.

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Data from the National Center for Education Statistics.
36% of college students felt so depressed that it was difficult to function (within 12-month period).

*YOUR STUDENTS*

Data from the American College Health Association – National College Health Assessment.
50% of college students reported experiencing 3 or more traumatic life events within a 12-month period.

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YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A SOCIAL WORKER

…but it helps to know where to find one.
WHAT IS WHOLE PERSON LIBRARIANSHIP?

Patrons in Context

Social Workers see each person in the context of the larger social systems that influence their being in the world. Whole Person Librarianship applies this view to our work with patrons.
The Whole Child Approach

Each child, in each school, in each of our communities deserves to be healthy, safe, engaged, supported, and challenged. That’s what a whole child approach to learning, teaching, and community engagement really is.

LEARN MORE »

A Collaborative Approach to Learning and Health

The Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) model is the next evolution of the traditional coordinated school health approach. Developed by ASCD and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and launched in spring 2014, the model aims to better align the policies, processes, and practices of education, public health, and school health, and in doing so, improve learning and health.

Learn why we need a collaborative approach to learning and health. • Request a hi-resolution image of the WSCC model, a presentation on the rationale behind its development, or implementation information and resources.

ASCD School Improvement Tool

Designed for use in schools and districts, the free ASCD School Improvement Tool offers educators a comprehensive and completely online needs assessment.

GET STARTED »
PUBLIC LIBRARIES

WHAT HAVE WE BEEN UP TO?
PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Full-time social workers in the library:

San Francisco
San Jose
Dallas
Washington DC

Portland
Denver

Minneapolis
Edmonton
PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Full-time social workers in the library:

- Connect patrons with resources.
- Supervise outreach workers.
- Access records that are beyond the scope of librarians.
- Counsel librarians on boundary-setting & deescalation.
PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Collaboration with social services:

San Francisco
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Edmonton
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Washington DC
PUBLIC LIBRARIES

Collaboration with social services:

- Hold regular "office hours" in the library.
- Create displays or passive programming.
- Provide opportunities for student internships & service learning.
WHOLE PERSON LIBRARIANSHIP

You're already doing it!
WHAT IS YOUR PATRON PROMISE?

Every Library Is Unique

What is your library's mission?
What boundaries do you want to set?
What resources already exist?
Where do you have room to grow?