



**ASCA Announces 2009 School Counseling Director/Coordinator of the Year
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ALEXANDRIA, VA – The American School Counselor Association (ASCA) is proud to announce Dawn Stevenson has been named ASCA 2009 School Counseling Director/Coordinator of the Year. Stevenson, the coordinator for K-12 School Counseling, Career Awareness, and Student Services for the Utah State Office of Education, was honored at ASCA’s 2009 annual conference in Dallas, June 28-July 1.

Stevenson is a frequent visitor to the Utah Legislature, lobbying for increased funding for school counselors and reduced student-to-school-counselor ratios. Under her guidance, Utah developed a statewide comprehensive school counseling model, based on the ASCA National Model. She is a former president of the Utah School Counselor Association.

“Dawn Stevenson has made valuable contributions to the school counseling profession both across the state and across the nation. She exemplifies what a school counseling director should be, and for that we’re pleased to honor her with this award,” said Jim Bierma, ASCA president.

ASCA is a worldwide nonprofit organization based in Alexandria, Va. Founded in 1952, ASCA supports school counselors’ efforts to help students focus on academic, personal/social and career development so they not only achieve success in school but are prepared to lead fulfilling lives as responsible members of society. The association provides professional development, publications and other resources, research and advocacy to more than 25,000 professional school counselors around the globe.

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