As school counsellors, we believe that opportunities for attaining emotional health and mental well-being are at the heart of learning. The school counselling profession supports the personal, social, academic, and career development of students in order to provide children and youth with the opportunity to achieve their true potential.

It is with this vision for our students that we strive to build a national identity within our profession.
Originating in 2000, the School Counsellors Chapter is a growing professional group of CCPA. The Chapter aims to provide elementary and secondary school counsellors in Canadian private and public schools with access to professional development, open discussion and networking, advocacy, and research opportunities.

The Chapter members come from all Canadian provinces and territories. Students and international members also belong to the Chapter.

CCPA members who are school counsellors, or other CCPA members interested in the school counselling profession, may join the School Counsellors Chapter for a fee of $15 per year. The majority of Chapter members have chosen to attain the “Canadian Certified Counsellor” (C.C.C.) designation.

School counselling in Canada is thriving - be part of something great through membership in the CCPA School Counsellors Chapter.
As a member of the School Counsellors Chapter, you will:

- Receive electronic updates and newsletters on Chapter activities, professional resources and opportunities for professional growth.

- Be informed of Chapter goals, strategies and actions which advocate for the school counselling profession.

- Learn about ways to contribute to the Chapter through roles on the Chapter Executive or committee work.

- Know about opportunities to meet and collaborate with other school counselling professionals at the CCPA annual conference, or other local, regional, national or international events.

- Be supported to raise issues of significance to the school counselling profession through the following:
  
  • communication with the Chapter Executive
  • newsletter contributions
  • conference presentations
  • award submissions
  • webinars
  • CCPA social media such as the “Counsellor Forum” or “Counselling Connect” (the blog where you will find stories, perspectives and ideas about the profession of counselling and psychotherapy in Canada).
As a Chapter of CCPA, we will:

- Advocate on your behalf to educational stakeholders to ensure that Canadian students and families have access to school counsellors with a high standard of professional practice and competency.

- Work in partnership with CCPA to foster the profession of school counselling.

- Strive to realize two strategic goals that the Chapter has endorsed:
  - create a national framework for school counselling in Canada
  - raise the profile of school counsellors in Canada

Want to know more?

To learn more about the School Counsellors Chapter, please follow the Chapter’s link on the CCPA website at www.ccpa-accp.ca. To join, select our Chapter on the CCPA membership form.

To contact CCPA, call toll free 1-877-765-5565.