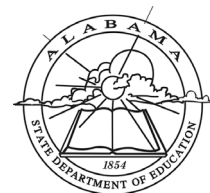




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REVIEW OF THE DRAFT  
**2025 COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL COUNSELING AND  
GUIDANCE MODEL FOR ALABAMA PUBLIC SCHOOLS-  
CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Montgomery, AL** – In a constant effort to improve outcomes for students, the Alabama State Department of Education (ALSDE) is asking for public feedback specifically related to the *Draft 2025 Comprehensive School Counseling and Guidance Model for Alabama Public Schools*.

The draft contains the model for comprehensive school counseling and guidance programs in Alabama public schools as well as standards specifying what students in Alabama should know and be able to do because of their participation in school counseling and guidance programs. The review is an opportunity to offer feedback related to each standard for each grade level, as well as the recommended framework for schools to model their school counseling and guidance programs.

To receive public input, the survey and a copy of the draft will be available on the ALSDE website and will be posted from **Friday, October 10, 2025, through 5:00 p.m., Monday, November 10, 2025**.

Additionally, the *Draft 2025 Comprehensive School Counseling and Guidance Model for Alabama Public Schools* can be accessed below, along with the form for submitting comments or suggestions.

SUBJECT	DRAFT COURSE OF STUDY	FORM FOR PUBLIC INPUT
School Counseling and Guidance	<a href="#">Draft 2025 Comprehensive School Counseling and Guidance Model for Alabama Public Schools</a>	<a href="#">Public Comment Form for School Counseling and Guidance</a>

Comments should be entered electronically no later than 5:00 p.m. on Monday, November 10, 2025. The public review of the *Draft 2025 Comprehensive School Counseling and Guidance Model for Alabama Public Schools* has two goals:

1. To engage the general public, parents, educators, business, industry, and civic leaders in a general review. Input is highly regarded and valued as we seek to maintain the highest level of rigor and challenge for all students in Alabama's public schools.
2. To generate an overall awareness of the *Draft 2025 Comprehensive School Counseling and Guidance Model for Alabama Public Schools* and to increase the depth of understanding of these standards.

Questions regarding the public input process may be directed to Dr. Blake Busbin via email at [blake.busbin@alsde.edu](mailto:blake.busbin@alsde.edu) or via telephone at (334) 694-4768.

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