

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CARSON CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**POLICY 275
PROGRAM**

SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKERS (SAFE SCHOOL PROFESSIONALS) PROGRAM

The Carson City School District Board of Trustees supports a planned and integrated program of School Social Work to be an integral part of the educational experience for students.

The School Social Workers (SSWs), called Safe School Professionals (SSPs) as determined by the Nevada Department of Education, promote and enhance the overall academic mission by providing services that strengthen home, school, and community partnerships while addressing barriers to learning and achievement. The SSPs will contribute to the development of a healthy, safe, and supportive environment which is achieved by advancing the understanding of the emotional and social development of students and influences of family, community, and cultural differences on student success.

SSPs will concentrate on students' academic, behavioral and emotional needs. They will also provide services, support, advocacy, and resources that will help to empower students and their families to increase their students' academic potential.

SSPs play a crucial role within their schools working with all school personnel, including developing collaborative partnerships with school counselors, school nurses and school psychologists.

Reference: NAC 391.320

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