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LUNCHEON KEYNOTE SPEAKER

INDIANA SCHOOL COUNSELOR ASSOCIATION FALL CONFERENCE

November 12, 2026 | 11:30 a.m.



Legal Literacy and Ethical Practice in the Complex World of School Counseling

Carolyn Stone

ABOUT THIS SESSION: School counselors must negotiate the competing interests of the overregulated school environment, student's need for confidentiality and the legal rights of parents to be the guiding voice in their children lives. Updates on these competing interests will be discussed through 10 primary court rulings that guide legal work of counselors in schools. Legal rulings will be highlighted in areas such as sexually active students, bullying, academic advising, child abuse, educational records, sexual harassment, first amendment rights, and transgender youth.

Particular attention will be given to the developing laws regarding off-campus cyber speech and other uses of social media that are difficult to address without offending the first amendment. Through case study and the application of federal, state, and judge made laws, participants will actively dialogue in a lively forum. The goal is to facilitate participants' legal literacy and provide guiding principles to support best ethical practice.

SPEAKER BIO: Carolyn Stone, Ed.D., is a Professor Emeritus of Counselor Education at the University of North Florida (UNF). Dr. Stone is a Past President of the American School Counselor Association (ASCA), and in 2010 was presented the ASCA Lifetime Achievement Award. Prior to coming to UNF, Dr. Stone spent 22 years with Jacksonville, Florida's Public Schools as an elementary and high school counselor, middle school teacher and Supervisor of Guidance Services. She supervised 225 school counselors. Dr. Stone was ASCAs Ethics Chair from 2002 to 2022 and chaired the last four revisions of the ethical standards.

Carolyn will also be presenting a breakout session.

CLOSING KEYNOTE SPEAKER

INDIANA SCHOOL COUNSELOR ASSOCIATION FALL CONFERENCE

November 13, 2026 | 8:30 a.m.



Supporting Neurodivergent Students and their Families

Paul Harris

ABOUT THIS SESSION: What is the schooling experience like for neurodivergent students? What might it feel like in a neuro-normative society to learn that your child is neurodivergent? How can we reduce or eliminate common barriers that neurodivergent students experience in school? What does it look like to incorporate student and family strengths into support efforts?

Dr. Harris addresses these questions and more using personal narratives and professional insights to facilitate increased empathy, understanding, and self-efficacy of participants.

SPEAKER BIO: Dr. Paul C. Harris is scholar-practitioner committed to building a just world where all are seen, heard, and valued. He has 20+ years of experience as K-12 school counselor, teacher, administrator, and professor. He is currently an associate professor in the counseling and special education department at Virginia Commonwealth University. He is the former president of the Virginia School Counselor Association and formerly served on the American School Counselor Association Board of Directors. He earned his Bachelor's degree in Health & Physical Education with a concentration in Sports Medicine and his Master's degree in School Counseling from the University of Virginia, and his Ph.D. in Counselor Education from the University of Maryland. He holds a Master of Divinity degree from Virginia Union University.

Paul will also be presenting a breakout session.

Tentative Schedule

Wednesday, November 11, 2026

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Registration and Information Center Open for Early Conference Check In

Thursday, November 12, 2026

7:30 am – 5:00 pm	Registration & Information Center Open
8:00 am – 4:00 pm	Exhibits Open
8:30 am – 9:30 am	Session 1
9:30 am – 10:00 am	Exhibitor Break
10:00 am – 11:00 am	Session 2
11:00 am – 11:30 am	Exhibitor Break
11:30 am – 1:15 pm	Keynote Luncheon – Carolyn Stone
1:15 pm – 1:30 pm	Transition Break
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Session 3
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Exhibitor Break
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Session 4
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	INSCA Meeting

Friday, November 13, 2026

7:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	On-Site Conference Registration and Information Desk Open
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	Exhibits Open
8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	Closing Keynote Session – Paul Harris
9:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.	Transition Break
9:45 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Program Session 5
10:45 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.	Break with Exhibitors – Last Chance!
11:15 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.	Program Session 6
12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	Closing Awards Luncheon

REGISTRATION

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