

WHAT IS ADVISING?

Advising IS.....

- **working with student leaders**
- **attending meetings and group functions**
- **assisting in program planning**
- **maintaining regular contact with organization**
- **being available for counsel**
- **being a valuable resource**
- **explaining and enforcing university policies**
- **being a liaison between the organization and campus administration**
- **allowing students to learn from their mistakes**
- **having an enjoyable time with students**

Advising is NOT...

- **mandatory (but strongly recommended)**
- **forcing personal belief systems onto students**
- **making all the decisions for the organization**
- **a full-time job (but is a full-time commitment)**
- **“holding hands” or “spoon feeding” students**
- **“a signature on a line”**
- **Babysitting**
- **Ignoring the concerns of the students**
- **perfected without training**
- **A Bad Idea!**