



Legislation Text

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TITLE

Approval of Monroe County School District 2019-2020 Mental Health Plan

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The 2019-2020 Monroe County School District Mental Health Plan highlights:

- Focus on delivering evidence-based mental health services through a multi-tiered system of supports
- Supports that addresses mental health needs assessment, diagnosis, intervention, treatment, and recovery
- Evidence-based mental health services for students with one or more co-occurring mental health or substance abuse diagnosis and students at risk of diagnosis.
- Direct employment of school-based mental health providers to reduce staff to student ratios and meet student mental health assistance needs
- Strategies to increase the amount of time student services personnel spend providing direct mental health services
- Contracts or interagency agreements with local behavioral health providers to provide behavioral health services on or off school campus
- Policies and procedures that ensure all schools, including charter schools, to ensure students referred for mental health screening are assessed within 15 days of referral, school-based mental health services are initiated within 15 days of identification and assessment, and community-based mental health services for students are initiated within 30 days of referral
- Process for Coordinating Mental Health Services with a student's primary care provider and other mental health providers, including procedures for information sharing Strategies or programs to reduce the likelihood of at-risk students developing social, emotional or behavioral problems; depression; anxiety; suicidal tendencies; or substance abuse disorders
- Process for coordinating mental health services for students at charter schools that are part of the school district's plan
- Identifies strategies to improve early identification of social, emotional or behavioral problems or substance abuse disorders; improve provision of early intervention services; and assist students dealing with trauma and violence

Program Implementation and Outcomes

Number and ratios of FDOE certified or licensed school-based mental health services providers employed by the district

School Social Workers: 4 with an average 1:1297 school social worker to student ratio

School Counselors: 19 with an average 1:395 school counselor to student ratio

School Psychologists: 6 with an average 1:1500 school psychologist to student ratio

All school-based mental health services providers maintain an on-going log of students screened, referred, and serviced for mental/behavioral health needs; the district

coordinates with the Guidance Care Center and other outside agencies to obtain number of students

who receive community based interventions/support.

BUDGET INFORMATION

Item Budgeted? N/A

Contract Originator: Theresa Axford, Executive Director, Teaching and Learning

Board Meeting Date: July 23, 2019

RECOMMENDATION

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