Mental Health Advisory Committee

December 11, 2017

Opening Statement:

Formed in October 2016 First meeting: February 2017

Charge:

Review policy and state guidelines and make recommendations to the board

Review district programming and recommend additional opportunities that foster student social-emotional well-being and school culture/connectedness

Address other issues pertinent to students' mental health, including preventative mental health programming

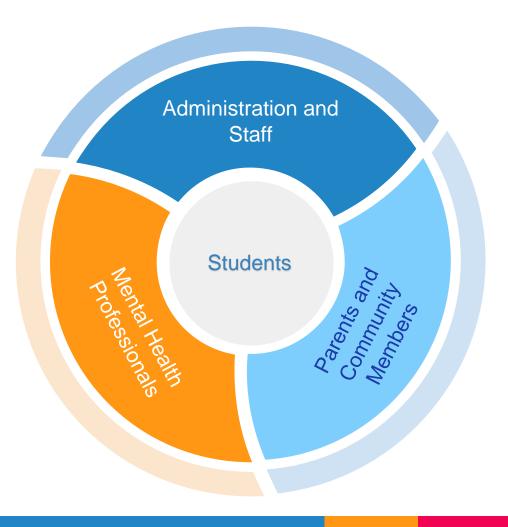






Who Are We?

Committee members are volunteering twice a month because we care!



Sabria Alshimary and Tess Washburn

State of Michigan Board of Education Recommendations

Policies

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policies

School districts are <u>encouraged</u> or mandated to have policies on the following areas of concern:

- Mental Health
- Suicide Prevention
- Bullying

policies

MHAC Recommendations

Adopt mental health and suicide prevention policies

Review bullying policy and update as needed

State of Michigan Board of Education Recommendations

Policies

Professional Development

State of Michigan Board of Education recommendations:

professional development

School boards are encouraged to provide professional development for school personnel concerning:



professional development

Current Practices

Board of Education policy on staff professional development supports the concept of personal development for staff, which may authorize funding for various activities in its budget (Policy 5190) Staff have attended trainings and professional development related to social and emotional well being and school culture, primarily based on personal interest or when an individual school has identified a need.

professional development

MHAC Recommendations

Develop, adopt and implement a more consistent, cohesive approach to professional development for staff around mental health, suicide prevention, and trauma informed practices. Consider a model for professional development that includes basic awareness and support for all staff and specialized training for those in key positions and/or who have interest.

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Services for Students

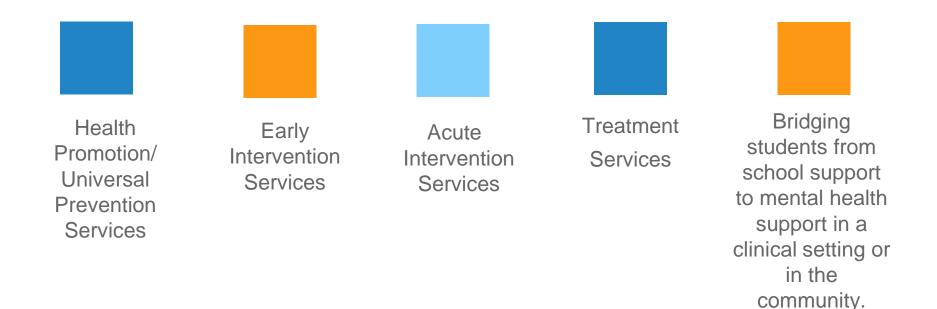
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Services to Students

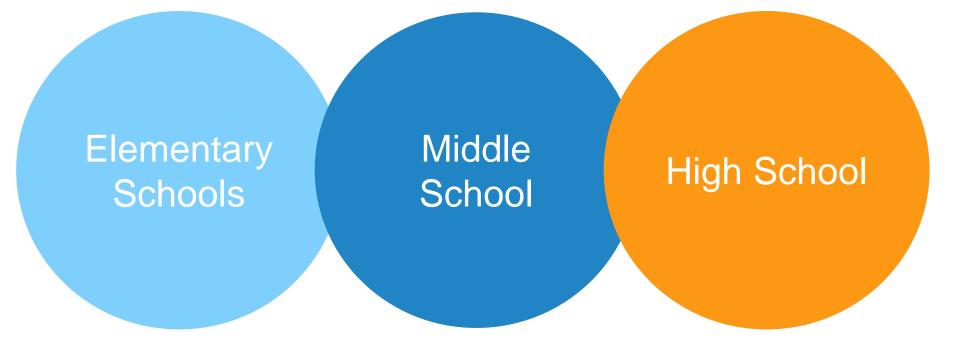
School districts are to provide services to students to promote students' emotional wellbeing and mental health, to improve their ability to perform to their full academic potential, and positively contribute as youth and adults to their community. School districts are to provide age appropriate instruction for pupils concerning warning signs and risk factors for suicide and depression and the protective factors that help prevent suicide. State of Michigan board of education recommendations:

Services to Students

State of Michigan recommends consideration of student services in the following areas:



Services to Students Current Practices



Services to Students Committee Findings

Each level contains some amount of services, as recommended by the State Board of Education.

There are more services available at the elementary level and the greatest need seems to be at the high school.

Services to Students

ELPS has invested in the Second Step Program to support social and emotional development of students across grades K-5

Second Step began at Donley 2015-16 and in 2016-17 was expanded to the remaining elementary schools

Elementary Current Practice Highlights

Services to Students

Middle School Opportunity

Second Step Program could be expanded and implemented at the middle school level

Actively being considered at MMS and would provide continuity across grades K-8

Services to Students

High School Opportunity

Although services to address mental health are available and utilized, we see the need for a comprehensive, systematic, integrated, accessible approach to student services

Perceptions From The High School

As told by student representative: Claire Kopachik

Informal Student Findings

Collection & Review of Data

General Findings:

ELPS collects data regarding social and emotional well-being and school culture.

Example: MiPHY data 2016, will collect again in 2018

▷The social, emotional and school culture data is in various forms of accessibility.

Collection & Review of Data

MHAC Recommendation:

 Identify a more effective centralized process to organize, understand, share and use the data to support the social and emotional well being of ELPS students and school culture.

 Outilize the data to identify priorities for change that work towards meeting the goals of the District, State of Michigan Board of Education, and State of Michigan Healthy Youth Campaign.

MHAC 2017-2018 Goals:

1.

Develop recommendations for a cohesive approach to professional development 2.

Develop recommendations to implement a comprehensive, systematic, integrated, accessible approach to student services at the middle and high schools

Student Wrap-Up Tobi Williams

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