# Superintendent's Update Mental Health Services

**Board of Education Meeting** 

September 14, 2021

Meeting No. 5







#### **Maximize Student Achievement**

- · Close the digital and equity gap.
- Offer robust in-person and independent study learning programs.
- Accelerate learning and improve attendance and engagement.

#### Foster a Positive Culture of Learning

- Ensure equitable teaching and learning opportunities led by excellence.
- Support culturally relevant curriculum that emphasizes inclusion.
- Increase school connectedness for students, parents, and families.

#### **Ensure the Health and Safety of Students and Employees**

- Strengthen mental health support and programs.
- Ensure best practices for safe and healthy learning environments.
- Support physical, social, and emotional wellbeing.

#### **Maintain District Financial Responsibility**

- Ensure the fiscal health of the District.
- Implement a fiscal plan to preserve the District resources.
- Plan for the District's future educational and facility needs.



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Understand Whole Child Needs.



Center Relationships Among Students, Educators and Families.



Strengthen Staffing to Address Student's Individualized Learning and Mental Health Needs.



Prioritize Inclusion, Relevance, and Rigor in Curriculum and Instruction.



Lay the Groundwork for Systemic Transformation and Build 🙎



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## Glendale Unified Mental Health Services

#### **Universal Mental Health Services**

- Glendale Unified Student Wellness
   Services is always ready to serve
   students who need additional support
- School based counseling services
- Telehealth services
- Online counseling referral system for teachers and staff

### **Response to Intervention**

- Tier 1: Universal support for all students
- Tier 2: Targeted support for some students who are at risk
- Tier 3: Individualized support for students with intensive and persistent challenges



## Student Wellness Services Case Review Team

- Student Wellness Services identifies, assesses, and coordinates mental health services.
- Once referrals are reviewed, students are assigned a therapist to best serve their needs.
- SWS staff continuously follow up to assess student progress and offer additional support when needed.
- Students are provided tools and connected to necessary resources for the duration of services.





# Key Players in Referring General Education Students and Students on a 504 Plan for Mental Health Services

**Teacher** 

**School Psychologist** 

**School Counselor** 

**School Nurse** 

**Principal** 

**Assistant Principal** 

**CDCC Staff** 

**Parent** 

PTA

Complete Online Referral Form Case Manager and Director assign case and manage referrals

Student Wellness Services Mental Health Therapists

Student Wellness
Services Mental
Health Interns

Pacific Clinics/Didi Hirsch (students with Medical Insurance)



## Key Players in Referring Students on an IEP for Mental Health Services

**School Psychologist** 

**Case Carrier** 

**School Counselor** 

**Principal** 

**Assistant Principal** 

IEP meeting is
held with the
team and
counseling
services are
added as a goal if
appropriate

Referral is made to designated
Student Wellness
Services staff
member

Case is assigned to a
Mental Health
Therapist from
Student Wellness
Services Department



Virtual Wellness Room for Students, Employees, and Families

QPR (Question, Persuade, Refer) and **Youth Mental Health First Aid Training Opportunities for Employees and Families** 

**Individual Counseling for** Students

**Parent and Family Support Groups at Elementary, Middle,** and High Schools

**Self-Care** Workshops for Educators

**Professional Development Opportunities** for Teachers and Staff

Student Support **Groups at** Elementary, Middle, and **High Schools** 

**Virtual** Mindfulness Resources and Workshops

Mental Health **Newsletters** and Videos for Students, Families, and Community Members

## Mental Health Services Provided



## Partners in Our Work

Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health
Los Angeles County Office of Education
American Heart Association
Glendale Youth Alliance
Dignity Health Glendale Memorial Hospital
Armenian American Mental Health Association
NAMI Glendale
Didi Hirsch
Pacific Clinic









## Mental Health Forum: Suicide Prevention Awareness

Tuesday, September 21 | 5:30 P.M.

Please join us to discuss important matters impacting our youth's mental health, suicide prevention, importance of good mental health, and resources that are available to our students and families.

Supporting the social and emotional needs of students and families on the road to academic success!

#### **Panelists Include:**

WATCH LIVE Via Zoom!

Dr. Vivian Ekchian, GUSD Superintendent
Dr. Ilin Magran, Director of SWSD
Dr. Laurel Bear, Educational Consultant
Aden Michael, LCSW
Corrine Ochipinti, LCSW
Geraldine Gomez, LCSW
Victoria Montenegro, LCSW

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## Questions?