Student Wellness Grant

Health Education Services Office



OVERVIEW

The Colorado General Assembly passed House Bill 1224 in spring 2008 authorizing funding for local Student Wellness Programs, acknowledging that for students to reach their full potential, school communities need to address comprehensive issues of student wellness, including but not limited to addressing the physical, mental, emotional, and social needs of students.

This is a four-year grant with approximately \$420,000 available for distribution annually. 2024 - 2025 SY is the first year of this grant cycle.

PURPOSE

The purpose of the grant is the implementation of Whole School, Whole Child, Whole Community approaches to improve the health and wellness of students to reduce barriers to learning and health.

Grantees work at the school and district level to coordinate and align programs, policies, and environmental changes to systematically identify and address barriers related to learning and health. The program should include coordination with comprehensive health education programs.

DEFINITION OF STUDENT WELLNESS PROGRAMS

A local "Student Wellness Program" means a program adopted by a Local Education Provider (LEA) that is coordinated across components and is designed to provide services to students in one or more of the following component areas:

- Health Education
- Physical Education and Physical Activity
- Nutrition Environment and Services
- Health Services
- Counseling, Psychological and Social Services
- Social and Emotional Climate
- Physical Environment
- Family Engagement
- Community Involvement

STUDENT WELLNESS GRANTEES 2021-2024

- 5280 High School
- Calhan RJ-1
- Colorado River BOCES
- Crowley County RE-1-J
- CSI Kwiyagat Community Academy
- CSI New Legacy Charter School
- CSI Steamboat Montessori
- Eagle County RE 50
- Garfield 16
- Gunnison Watershed RE1J
- Lake County R-1
- Montrose County RE-1J
- Poudre R-1
- Silverton 1
- Swink 33

Student Wellness Grantees:

- increase local partnerships and engage staff in professional development opportunities.
- create school and district level teams to increase the health and wellness of students through increased access to school gardens, physical activity, and social emotional learning programs and supports.

To learn more, use this QR code: https://tinyurl.com/y35t7ocm



WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE?

- To learn more, visit the <u>State Funded Student Wellness webpage</u>.
- For questions, contact Liz Schroeder: <u>Schroeder E@cde.state.co.us</u> or 720-926-1753
- Viewall CDE fact sheets: www.cde.state.co.us/communications/factsheetsandfags