

Intradistrict Communication

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TO: All School Administrators

FROM: Michael Anderson, Associate Superintendent
Travis Hamblin, Director of Student Services
McKinley Withers, Health and Wellness

SUBJECT: Suicide Prevention Grant Funds

Each year our District is awarded grant funds for suicide prevention programs and training. Schools are able to use this grant fund for training or conferences related to suicide prevention or for programs such as Hope Squad or Sources of Strength. There are other relevant training and programs that may qualify for this grant. This grant will **not** cover “consumable” supplies such as treats, T-shirts, fidgets, or other incentives or prizes. Funds must be spent on training and programs.

This year, using carryover from unspent funds from prior years, Student Services will be offering for any member of your school’s mental health team (school counselors, school psychologists, or clinical support/social workers) to attend ONE of two suicide prevention conferences with your permission. This invitation will be sent to them directly.

Please reach out to McKinley Withers or Angie Rasmussen if you have suicide prevention training or programs that you would like to have funded using this grant. Please have a plan and cost in mind for consideration.