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TO: Principals
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SUBJECT: Youth Services Early Intervention Program

The Utah Department of Human Services Youth Services Model is an early intervention program targeting youth who are struggling in school (grades, attendance, behavior), at home and/or otherwise at risk for getting involved in the Court system. The program supports families by helping them gain access to services in the community that they may otherwise be unaware of or unable to afford.

The services can include psych evaluations, individual therapy, Functional Family Therapy, Families First in-home intervention services, and referrals to other wrap around services. The Department has the funding to provide these services due to recent justice reform efforts.

There is an online referral process that makes it simple for youth ages 10-18, primarily in need of services due to the child's behavior to get the support they need. Someone from Youth Services will respond to the referral within 48 business hours of submission. To refer a youth, visit: <https://jjs.utah.gov/referral>.

A program flyer accompanies this memo.