Eastern Local School District Plan for Disbursement of Student Wellness and Success Funds/Disadvantaged Pupil Impact Aid

Students face many different obstacles for wellness and success in the classroom. Both physical and mental health services are crucial to student success. Students need counseling, academic guidance, and attention to their health, both physical and mental, in order to be given the best opportunity to succeed. As a result, the District plans to employ a guidance counselor to serve students at both our buildings, a nurse and substitute nurse to serve the district, and a speech language pathologist to serve the district. In collaboration with Hopewell Health System, we will also facilitate behavioral health services being made available to all of our students. In collaboration with the Athens-Meigs ESC, we will provide psychologist, physical therapy, and occupational therapy services to students in need of those services. We feel that these services will give our students the greatest chance to succeed and find their "E".

Our students who have been classified in special education and receiving IEP's need to have individual education plans that appropriately provide blueprints needed to ensure they receive a high quality, individualized education that allows them to succeed. The District will implement reading improvement and intervention strategies that align with the science of reading to ensure our most at-risk students are receiving the support they need and increase academic achievement and reduce reading disparities. Dropout prevention strategies such as alternative educational programming for at-risk students and providing support services will also be implemented by the District, including after school and summer school interventions when necessary. Best practice academic interventions provided by our intervention specialists will ensure each student has an individualized plan for success. Instructional technology will be provided in order to ensure all students are given the opportunity to learn and grow skills that will benefit them in the modern world. The district will also invest in school safety and security with a school resource officer who will train staff and school personnel in appropriate threat assessment and safety plans, implement procedures to ensure these plans are followed, and the District will purchase safety/security equipment deemed necessary to ensure students feel safe in their learning environment which allows them the greatest opportunity to grow and succeed.

In collaboration with the Athens-Meigs ESC, we will implement a student wellness and success NIC (Networked Improvement Community) that establishes a collaborative research partnership that uses the principles of improvement science within networks of organizations to learn from the varied implementation of new ideas across contexts. Professional development will also be provided to staff to ensure we are implementing evidence-based strategies for effective literacy instruction.

Plan Approval

Eastern Local School District

Superintendent

7-14-25

Date

In Consultation With

Athens-Meigs Educational Service District

Superintendent

7-15-2025

Date

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Hopewell Health System

LPN Policy, COO

CEO or Designee

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Date