

Escambia County School District Mental Health Update

- **Tier I**, SEL, Ms. Kendra, Suite 360 MH Modules, MFLC, CDAC, Bullying Prevention, PBIS, HOPE Squad expansion coming, Gulf Coast Kids House
- **Tier II**, School Counselors/Psych & Social Workers (MH Counselors), Emphasizing Professional Development.
- **Tier III**, Assessed and diagnosed DSM-V, clinical, evidenced-based treatment with a treatment plan and goals. Served 1597 students/families 20/21, 21-22 30% increase
 - 8 direct-hires, full-time in high schools (8 of whom are licensed)
 - 1 Confidential MH Assistant
 - 1 Coordinator, supervises and responds district-wide
 - 2 Interns, under supervision
 - 1 contracted LCSW for Self-Contained/Access Points Classrooms
 - 14 Contracted Elementary School level MH Counselors from Lakeview
 - 9 Contracted CHS counselors, each full-time at a middle school, North end & Charter
 - Pace Center for Girls in 8 different middle and high schools
- 20/21 MHAAP \$1,493,720.03 21/22 \$1,618,186.00 Increase of **\$223,615.00**
 - With the increase added 2 at Elementary to bring the total with Gen. Rev. Funds to 14.
 - Increased CHS contract to keep the designated and embedded at only one middle school.
 - Added 1 LMHC at Success Academy due to its growth
- Hope Squad, peer-to-peer suicide prevention program. Hope Squad was awarded an IMPACT grant to stand up all our secondary schools. We've been piloting them.
- We have seen steady year over year growth in referrals for MH Counseling - increase about 30% this school year.
- Most common issues: Anxiety (performance and social), Grief (death, incarceration, abandonment). Trauma (Adverse Childhood Experiences), Depression, Teacher/Admin - Vicarious Trauma, Compassion Fatigue, Burnout.
- 32 Navigators - contracted social workers (CHS) to provide support and services for students and families.