# **Student Support Teams**

**Programming & Expansion** 

**School Board Meeting** 

October 7, 2021



### **Essential Question**

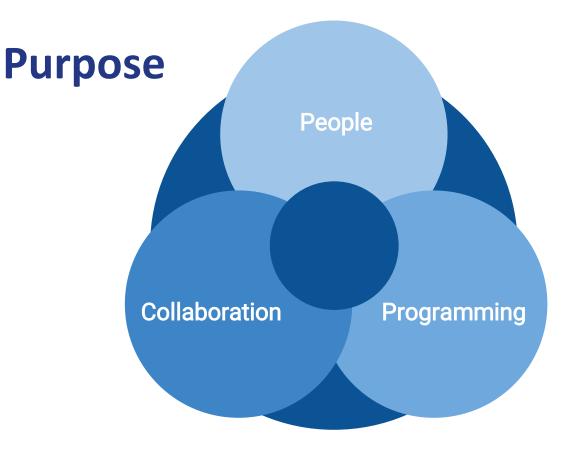
How are we expanding ACPS student support teams (SST) in order to support students' social, emotional, behavioral, health, and wellness needs in response to the dual pandemics of COVID-19 and systemic racism?



## **Office of Student Support Teams**

- Created in July of 2020 as part of the Superintendent's reorganization of central office
- Brought together school counseling, school health, school psychology, and school social work
- Mirrors the collaboration amongst these four groups within schools







### **Expansion: Programming**

- Division-wide implementation of RULER as the Tier 1 social-emotional curriculum
- Focus on Tier 2: Targeted Interventions and Tier 3: Intensive Interventions
  - Use of universal screeners to identify skills and students
- Research and Evidence-Based Programs
  - What Works Clearinghouse
  - <u>Evidence-Based Practices Resource Center</u>
     (SAMHSA)

#### **Fall 2021**

Bounce Back and SSET (Trauma)

Social
Thinking/Superflex
(Social Skills)

Kimochis
(Emotional Awareness)

**Grief and Loss Groups** (Bereavement)



## **Expansion: Staff (Central)**

- Mental Health Specialist--School Counseling (ESSER II)
- Director of K-12 School Counseling (ESSER III)
- School Health Services Specialist (ESSER II)
- School Health Administrator Specialist (ESSER II)
- Contact Tracers (ESSER II)



## **Expansion: Staff (School-Based)**

- Additional FTE (ESSER III)
  - o 1.4 School Counselors
  - o 0.4 School Nurse
  - 0.6 School Psychologist
  - 0.7 School Social Worker
- Additional Contracted Support (ESSER II & III)
  - Certified Nursing Assistants (temporary)
  - Tier 2/3 School-Based Mental Health Providers
- Additional Partnerships
  - Therapeutic Day Treatment (TDT)
  - Clinicians from DCHS





### **Questions?**

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