



# 2023-24 Mental Health Application

Part I: Youth Mental Health Awareness Training Plan

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# Introduction

# **Mental Health Assistance Allocation Plan**

s. 1006.041, F.S.

# **MHAA Plan Assurances**

# **The Charter School Assures**

One hundred percent of state funds are used to establish or expand school-based mental health care; train educators and other school staff in detecting and responding to mental health issues; and connect children, youth and families with appropriate behavioral health services.

Yes

Mental health assistance allocation funds do not supplant other funding sources or increase salaries or provide staff bonuses or incentives

Yes

Other sources of funding will be maximized-to provide school-based mental health services (e.g., Medicaid reimbursement, third-party payments and grants).

Yes

Collaboration with FDOE to disseminate mental health information and resources to students and families.

Yes

A system is included for tracking the number of students at high risk for mental health or co-occurring substance use disorders who received mental health screenings or assessments; the number of students referred to school-based mental health services

Yes

Curriculum and materials purchased using MHAA funds have received a thorough review and all content is in compliance with State Board of Education Rules and Florida Statutes.

Yes

# A charter governing board policy or procedure has been established for

Students referred to a school-based or community-based mental health services provider, for mental health screening for the identification of mental health concerns and students at risk for mental health disorders are assessed within 15 calendar days of referral.

Yes

School-based mental health services are initiated within 15 calendar days of identification and assessment.

Yes

Community-based mental health services are initiated within 30 calendar days of referral.

Yes

Individuals living in a household with a student receiving services are provided information about behavioral health services through other delivery systems or payors for which such individuals may qualify if such services appear to be needed or enhancements in those individuals' behavioral health would contribute to the improved well-being of the student.

# Yes

District schools and local mobile response teams use the same suicide screening instrument approved by FDOE pursuant to s. 1012.583, F.S., and Rule 6A-4.0010, F.A.C.

#### Yes

Assisting a mental health services provider or a behavioral health provider as described ins. 1006.041, F.S., respectively, ora school resource officer or school safetyofficerwho has completed mental health crisis intervention training in attempting to verbally de escalate a student's crisis situation before initiating an involuntary examination pursuant to s. 394.463, F.S. Such procedures must include strategies to de-escalate a crisis situation for a student with a developmental disability as that term is defined ins. 393.063, F.S.

#### Yes

The requirement that in a student crisis situation, the school or law enforcement personnel must make a reasonable attempt to contact a mental health professional who may initiate an involuntary examination pursuant to s. 394.463, F.S., unless the child poses an imminent danger to self or others before initiating an involuntary examination pursuant to s. 394.463, F.S. Such contact may be in person or using te lehealth, as defined ins. 456.47, F.S. The mental health professional may be available to the school district either by contracts or interagency agreements with the managing entity, one or more local community behavioral health providers, the local mobile response team, or be a direct or contracted school district employee. Note: All initiated involuntary examinations located on school grounds, on school transportation or at a school sponsored activity must be documented in the Involuntary Examinations and Restraint and Seclusion (IERS) platform.

#### Yes

Parents of students receiving services are provided information about other behavioral health services available through the student's school or local community-based behavioral health service providers. Schools may meet this requirement by providing information about and internet addresses for web-based directories or guides for local behavioral health services.

#### Yes

The Mental Health Assistance Allocation Plan must be focused on a multitiered system of supports to deliver evidence-based mental health care assessment, diagnosis, intervention, treatment and recovery services to students with one or more mental health or co-occurring substance abuse diagnoses and to students at high risk of such diagnoses. s. 1006.041, F.S.

#### Yes

# **District Program Implementation**

Evidence-Based Program	Second Step Curriculum	
Tier(s) of Implementation	Tier 2	
Describe the key EBP components that will be implemented.		

Guidance Counselor will use the specific lessons as appropriate with students.

Explain how your district will implement evidence-based mental health services for students to improve the early identification of social, emotional, or behavioral problems or substance use disorders, as well as the likelihood of at risk students developing social emotional or behavioral problems, depression, anxiety disorders or suicidal tendencies, and how these will assist students dealing with trauma and violence.

Mental health services will be implemented based on needs identified through parent referrals, teacher and staff referrals, and through parent/teacher conferences during IST (Instructional Support Team) meetings, IEP meetings, and 504 meetings. Students are also able to self-refer as needed to the school-based mental health providers.

Explain how the supports will deliver evidence-based mental health care assessment, diagnosis, intervention, treatment and recovery services to students with one or more mental health or co-occurring substance abuse diagnoses and to students at high risk of such diagnoses.

The school-based mental health providers will provide evidence-based interventions to students as appropriate. This includes individual counseling, small group counseling, and risk assessment. Students at high risk will be referred to intensive outside mental health counseling and treatment.

Evidence-Based Program	Leader in ME
Tier(s) of Implementation	Tier 1
Describe the key EBP components that will be implemented.	

The Leader in Me curriculum will be taught daily during a dedicated block of time. All components of the LiM curriculum will be taught which includes studying the 7 Habits of Highly Effective Students, managing time and stress, creating goals, and proactively communicating and problem-solving.

Explain how your district will implement evidence-based mental health services for students to improve the early identification of social, emotional, or behavioral problems or substance use disorders, as well as the likelihood of at risk students developing social emotional or behavioral problems, depression, anxiety disorders or suicidal tendencies, and how these will assist students dealing with trauma and violence.

The Leader in Me utilizes and integrates leadership skills and social-emotional learning to strengthen and empower students to be highly effective in managing time and stress, creating attainable goals, and increasing positive interpersonal relationships.

Explain how the supports will deliver evidence-based mental health care assessment, diagnosis, intervention, treatment and recovery services to students with one or more mental health or co-occurring substance abuse diagnoses and to students at high risk of such diagnoses.

Students needing additional social-emotional support will be referred to the school-based mental health providers for tier 2 and tier 3 support as appropriate.

# **Direct Employment**

# MHAA Plan Direct Employment

# **School Counselor**

Current Ratio as of August 1, 2023

1:918

2023-2024 proposed Ratio by June 30, 2024

1:918

#### **School Social Worker**

Current Ratio as of August 1, 2023

0:918

2023-2024 proposed Ratio by June 30, 2024

0:918

#### School Psychologist

Current Ratio as of August 1, 2023

.5:918

2023-2024 proposed Ratio by June 30, 2024

.5:918

#### Other Licensed Mental Health Provider

Current Ratio as of August 1, 2023

0:918

2023-2024 proposed Ratio by June 30, 2024

0:918

# Direct employment policy, roles and responsibilities

Explain how direct employment of school-based mental health services providers (school psychologists, school social workers, school counselors and other licensed mental health professionals) will reduce staff-to-student ratios.

We have hired a full-time guidance counselor to help meet the mental health needs of our students. We also have directly hired a half-time school psychologist.

Describe your district's established policies and procedures to increase the amount of time student services personnel spend providing direct mental health services (e.g., review and revision of staffing allocations based on school or student mental health assistance needs).

The School Counselor and School Psychologist do not have any additional daily duties that would prevent them from supporting the mental health needs of students.

Describe the role of school based mental health providers and community-based partners in the implementation of your evidence-based mental health program.

The school-based mental health providers partner with the community-based partners to coordinate appropriate at-risk referrals for students and intensive mental health services, as appropriate.

# **Community Contracts/Interagency Agreements**

List the contracts or interagency agreements with local behavioral health providers or Community Action Team (CAT) services and specify the type of behavioral health services being provided on or off the school campus.

We have an interagency agreement with Centerstone which provides on-campus support as needed, at-risk assessment, and out-patient counseling and support. Centerstone also has a CAT that provides assistance to students as needed and appropriate.

# MHAA Planned Funds and Expenditures

# **Allocation Funding Summary**

MHAA funds provided in the 2023-2024 Florida Education Finance Program (FEFP) \$ 50,122.00

# **Unexpended MHAA funds from previous fiscal years**

\$ 0.00

# **Grand Total MHAA Funds**

\$ 50,122.00

# MHAA planned Funds and Expenditures Form

Please complete the MHAA planned Funds and Expenditures Form to verify the use of funds in accordance with (s.) 1006.041 Florida Statues.

The allocated funds may not supplant funds that are provided for this purpose from other operating funds and may not be used to increase salaries or provide bonuses. School districts are encouraged to maximize third-party health insurance benefits and Medicaid claiming for services, where appropriate.

The following documents were submitted as evidence for this section:

MHAA\_Planned\_Expenditures\_Report\_2023-2024.pdf

Rowlett Academy Mental Health Allocation Plan 2023-2024

Document Link

# **Charter Governing Board Approval**

This application certifies that the **Manatee County Public Schools** governing board has approved the Mental Health Assistance Allocation Plan, which outlines the local program and planned expenditures to establish or expand school-based mental health care consistent with the statutory requirements for the mental health assistance allocation in accordance with section 1011.62(14), F.S.

# **Governing Board Approval Date**

Wednesday 8/23/2023