

DATE: August 4, 2021

TO: Board of Education

FROM: Mrs. Carmen Ghysels, Superintendent Chief Learning Officer

SUBJECT: Approve Job Description for Wellness Center Specialist

PRESENTED BY: Joan Zappettini, Director of Human Resources

ACTION REQUESTED

Approve Job Description for Wellness Center Specialist

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The TTUSD Wellness Program is a collaborative project between the school district, Nevada and Placer Counties, the Community Collaborative of Tahoe Truckee partners and youth, designed to help high school students access a broad spectrum of mental health services. The scope of work includes Wellness Centers at Truckee High and North Tahoe High, individualized wellness programming at Sierra High and the Placer County Community School, and linkages to North Tahoe Middle School and Alder Creek Middle School.

The TTUSD Wellness Program has grown over the last eight years and the centers and the programs that they provide are firmly embedded in the school culture. Wellness staff works directly with youth to educate and empower them to have a voice in decisions about their own health and well-being. The program offers students the opportunity to develop personal resiliency, peer support, and leadership skills while connecting youth with caring adults and peers.

As the needs of students and the program have increased, so has the need to attract and retain employees who are highly skilled and have experience in youth development, wellness, and mental health.

Essential functions for the Wellness Center Specialist position have been broadly expanded to include program implementation, day to day operations, coordinating direct student support services, Tier 2 case management, student outreach and implementing a school-wide Social Emotional Learning (SEL) curriculum and Wellness education. Additionally, employment requirements in include possessing a bachelor's degree in Psychology, Social Work, Public Health or other health and wellness related fields and three or more years of experience in wellness, mental health and or school-based work.

RESOURCES REQUIRED: N/A

PREPARED BY: Joan Zappettini, Director of Human Resources

Attachment: Proposed Job Description for Wellness Center Specialist