

West Lafayette Community School Corporation

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DATE: May 1, 2024
TO: Dr. Shawn Greiner
FROM: Mrs. Anna Roth
RE: Approval To Accept the Preventing Youth Suicide Grant from North Central Health Services

In accordance with Policy 6110, I request the West Lafayette School Board of Trustees approve acceptance of funds available to the district through the NCHS Preventing Youth Suicide Grant.

This initiative will guide participating school and district team members through a 2-year structure (May 2024 – June 2026) for planning, implementing, and sustaining prevention efforts in schools and districts. Aspects of continuous improvement, such as identifying progress measures, and collecting and applying those data, will be embedded in each phase. This will include virtual consultation and support, as well as in-person site visits for more intensive coaching and assistance. The work of this grant will be to address the key components of multi-tiered school suicide prevention as identified by North Central Health Services:

1. Engaging school community members in suicide prevention planning, training, and communication
2. Developing community partnerships to ensure students receive necessary support and services
3. Promoting protective factors that enhance students' wellbeing
4. Creating policies and protocols for helping students who are at risk of suicide
5. Creating policies and protocols for response after a suicide
6. Identification and support for youth who are at-risk of suicide

Grant funds awarded are in the amount of \$60,450. In accordance with grant guidelines, funds will be used to cover materials cost, resource costs, training cost, curriculum cost and staff stipends for time above and beyond the contract. School team members will be identified from interested school community participants with consideration of grant guidelines for team composition gaining the widest representation possible.

The administration of this grant will adhere to all applicable Federal, State, local, and grantor rules and regulations, including the terms and conditions of the grant awards, as well as Corporation policies. All grant funds received by the Corporation will be used in accordance with the applicable law and regulations and the terms and conditions of the grant award. The financial management of grant funds shall be in compliance with all applicable Federal, State, local, and grantor rules, regulations, and assurances as well as Corporation policies.

I request the funds from this grant be accepted. I thank you for your consideration in this matter.