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NEW STUDENT ENGAGEMENT AND WELL- BEING INITIATIVES



Wellness Together

Homeless Liaison





Wellness Together

PURPOSE

To expand student and family access to
mental health services






SERVICES PROVIDED

- x Individual counseling
- x Family wraparound services
- x Group counseling
- x Crisis intervention follow-up
- x Support and coordination with other outside agencies





REFERRAL PROCESS

- x School Counselors will be the point of contact for the school site and to make referrals
 - x Wellness Together Therapist coordinates with the school counselor to discuss the unique needs of the student
 - x Student information and program status are accessible only to the counselor
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Homeless Liaison



NEW LAWS


x Assembly Bill 27

x Senate Bill 400

x Purpose: To expand outreach and to create a more standardized process for local education agencies to identify homeless students and their families, and to connect them with appropriate

services





ASSEMBLY BILL 27 - IDENTIFICATION

- ✘ Annually provide Housing Questionnaire to all parents and guardians

- ✘ Annually report to the California Department of Education the number of homeless children and unaccompanied youths enrolled





SENATE BILL 400 - CONNECT WITH SERVICES

X Requires the Homeless Liaison to coordinate with other entities to ensure that homeless families receive:

X Health care services

X Dental services

X Mental health and substance abuse services

X Housing services

X Other appropriate services





HOMELESS LIAISON ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- x Proactively identify all homeless students
- x Coordinate all needed services
- x Inform parents and school personnel of the rights of homeless children
- x Collaborate with the County and State Coordinators





BEST PRACTICES

- x Annual training for staff
 - x Conduct intake interviews with families to determine services needed
 - x Monitor and adjust services provided to meet the unique needs of homeless children throughout the year
 - x Meet regularly with school counselors to monitor homeless children
 - x Communicate regularly with community service and support providers
 - x Monitor attendance and school performance
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