

2023-2026 Partnership Agreement

THIS AGREEMENT is made this 1st day of October, 2023 between the Ashtabula County Educational Service Center (ACESC), 2630 W.13<sup>th</sup> Str., Ashtabula, OH 44004, hereinafter referred to as the "ACESC" and the Grand Valley Local School District, 111 Grand Valley Ave West, Orwell, OH 44076, hereinafter referred to as "GVLS"

In consideration of the mutual promises herein contained, the parties agree as follows:

The ACESC and GVLS worked in partnership to develop a plan to help districts and schools support their students' academic achievement through mental health counseling, wraparound services, mentoring and after-school programs. School districts will work with local organizations to determine community needs and resources, so they can use the state dollars to make the greatest impact on students' lives. GVLS will use the funds to help their districts plan and launch these student wellness initiatives.

Both parties agree to continue to work in partnership during the full extent of the program. This Agreement shall commence on the above stated date and shall terminate no sooner than June 30, 2024.

The GVLS agrees to the following:

1. Enter into a service agreement for the 2023-2024 school year with a social service organization to provide student counseling in each school building. Services would include:
  - Pre-crisis screening, which is a service comprised of brief face-to-face
  - interactions with the student during which emotional outbursts or acting out behavior is briefly
  - evaluated to determine if behavioral health services are needed. Pre-crisis screening does not
  - result in the rendering of a diagnosis, it simply assesses the potential need for mental health or
  - substance abuse services; and
  - Behavioral intervention.
  
2. Work in conjunction with local law enforcement to enhance our Student Resource Officer (SRO) program. Steps would include:
  - Execute a partnership contract with a collaborative law enforcement agency.
  - Realign and evaluate our SRP duties to include new district wide safety and safety educational initiatives.
  - Train and provide appropriate professional development to the SRO for programing to provide drug intervention training, family intervention programs, Internal dispute mediation, advance safety function, law enforcement education and overall school safety.
  - Send a team of administrators with our SRO to a modern SRO Professional Development program.

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3. Provide outside cameras on school bus fleet to ensure safety for student ridership to and from school.
4. Research and implement some after school programing that will not only enhance cognitive abilities of our students, it will also address mental health issues our students struggle in this society.
5. Continue to research and potentially partner with a local agency to create a "latch key" program which will assist students and their parents with before and after school supervision, transport logistics, education and safety.
6. Implement any other immediate wellness initiative that is justly founded by the Grand Valley administrative staff to have great impact and fall within budget allocations of the wellness funds.
7. Continually research future initiatives that focus on student wellness with the intent to amend this agreement if potential programming is justly founded.

The Ashtabula County Educational Service Center and The Grand Valley Local School District agrees to comply with the requirements of The Student Wellness and Success Funding requirements.

 9/18/23  
GVLS Representative Date

 9/13/23  
ACESC Representative Date

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Signature Health Date

\*\*\*\* See Separate Partnership Agreement with Signature Health

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