

Student Success and Wellness Funds-FY24

Total Awarded: \$212, 023.01

Funds allocated: School Nurse, School Psychologist, ESC (Social Worker)

Additional funds used for: PAX/PBIS Connections, Leader in Me Programming

Leader in Me: The district continues to participate in this whole school-whole district transformation model and process in developing leadership skills with all students and staff. The program is designed to empower students with lifelong skills needed as they continue learning in the 21st century.

The Leader in Me program is in its' 5th year of implementation at both Newton and Utica Elementary. The middle school is actively moving into the implementation model and incorporating the program daily through school culture, mental health, SEL (Social Emotional Learning), and continuing to enhance the habits of a successful leader.

PAX and PBIS: PAX Good Behavior Game and the components of the program are utilized at both Utica and Newton Elementary. Through our partnership with Our Futures of Licking County, staff have been provided professional development on strategies and techniques for classroom management, SEL (Social Emotional Learning) curriculum. The PAX program supplements our PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention Systems) framework as we work to define our building matrices and recognizing what it means to be a student in North Fork. The district PBIS team continues to work through the Tier I process with our State Support Team. We are preparing to move to the next tier, which requires building signage and posters that serve as model reminders for students. The potential for a district/building wide reward system is still in discussion and collaboration with the district team and State Support Team.

Social Worker/ESC Consortium: The district has the opportunity to have a licensed social worker in the district two days per week to assist students in all aspects from mental health, SEL (Social Emotional Learning), community resources and outsourcing to network partners. The social worker is provided referrals from district school counselors and/or student support specialists and administrators. The social worker is integral in the process of parent communication, staff communication and meeting the needs of all students who can benefit from this additional resource