



**Wayne Local School District
Student Wellness and Success Funds Plan
School Year 2026-2027**

The Ohio Student Wellness and Success Grant is an important resource that allows Wayne Local School District to address key challenges students may face in their schooling, fostering academic growth and personal development. At Wayne Local Schools, we are committed to supporting the whole child by eliminating barriers to success, including mental health issues, absenteeism, safety concerns, and behavioral challenges.

Our Student Wellness and Success Funds plan is designed to ensure students are academically, socially, physically, and emotionally ready to learn. We are building a comprehensive, integrated support system involving partnerships with various agencies and professionals. This multidisciplinary team, composed of mental health experts and educational staff, takes a holistic approach to student wellness - empowering students both inside and outside the classroom.

Community Partnerships:

- MindPeace of Cincinnati
- 1N5 of Cincinnati
- Catalyst Counseling, LLC
- Warren County Educational Service Center (WCESC)

The following initiatives have been identified to enhance and support student wellness:

- School Counselor - These funds will help cover the cost of the Wayne Junior High School Counselor, who will offer comprehensive support for student wellness, advocate for students' needs, and provide essential resources for academic and personal growth.
- School-Based Mental Health Therapy - These funds will help cover co-pays for students who need financial assistance to receive acute mental health support and intervention.
- Board Certified Behavioral Analyst (BCBA) - WCESC - These funds will help to offset the cost of the BCBA. The BCBA will help support students with social-emotional and behavioral needs.

For the 2026-2027 school year, the state funding for Disadvantaged Pupil Impact Aid and Student Wellness and Success funds will be used to help pay for the salaries and benefits of the additional school counselor, co-pays for school-based mental health therapy, and to offset the cost of the BCBA through WCESC. The services listed above will directly impact hundreds of students and indirectly impact all of the students PK-12 across the district.