



**Wayne Local School District
Student Wellness and Success Funds Plan
School Year 2024-2025**

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
- The Village of Waynesville
- Warren County Educational Service Center (WCESC)

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

- School Resource Officer - responsible for ensuring campus safety and security, fostering positive relationships with students, and delivering professional development training for staff.
- School Counselors - offer comprehensive support for student wellness, advocate for students' needs, and provide essential resources for academic and personal growth.
- Mental Health Behavioral Interventionist - These funds will help cover the cost of a district mental health behavioral interventionist who will support the physical, social and emotional needs of students.

For the 2024-2025 school year, the State of Ohio provided the district with \$133,122.23 in Student Wellness and Success funds and \$9,820.15 in Disadvantaged Pupil Impact Aid. The funds were used to help pay for the salaries and benefits of school counselors, a mental health behavioral interventionist contracted through WCESC, and for the School Resource Officer contracted through the Village of Waynesville. The services listed above directly impacted hundreds of students, and indirectly impacted all of the students PK-12 across the district.