

Minutes

Durham School Health Advisory Committee Meeting June 24, 2020; 12:30-2pm

Attendees: Elizabeth Sims, Chris Soto, Jim Keaten, Becky Pope, Wanda Boone, Raina Bunnag, Xavier Cason, Mary Jane Palmer, Marissa Mortiboy, Teresa Dafford, Aaron Cohen, Kiah Pape Gaskin, Susan Thompson, Ashley Bass-Mitchell, Kamara Mason, Jen Meade

WHAT	TIME	NOTES
<p>Welcome and introductions (Mel Downey-Piper)</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>Please state your:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name • Group you represent (eg. organization/school/parent/student) • What's something that you've been cooking • Community or DPS needs /advocacy related to racial equity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A lot of work happening with the Office for Racial Equity - Engagement with African American churches - Together for Resilient Youth (TRY) conducted survey with youth about SROs - Deeper conversations and advocacy within neighborhood, smaller groups of DPS staff; changing from the inside - Housing (eviction moratorium is ending soon); Call 919-560-8000 for housing assistance - Recognizing racism as a public health issue; explain systemic racism when presenting data - Conversations with children around racism - Distributed coloring books for youth about COVID
<p>DPS response to COVID: food and academics (Jim Keaten)</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>Email Update from David Hackney: Athletic re-entry is tentatively scheduled for July 6. I have put together a task force of athletic directors and athletic trainers to create a plan to address what athletic re-entry will look like at each school. Summer workouts for fall athletics are scheduled to begin Monday July 6. Due to a wide range of concerns that date could be pushed back. More details will be forthcoming.</p> <p>Jim Keaten: On June 1, DPS took over the meal service from Durham FEAST. DPS served at the same 24 schools and they have expanded to seven meals a week. On June 29, WG Pearson School will open for daily meal pickups at other community sites (eg. Mount Zion, Braggtown). They are scheduled to feed 250 in the first week and then 400 in July. DPS is still accepting applications.</p> <p>There is a COVID and re-entry taskforce (47 members). They are working on transportation, food service, wellness and many other topics. The district doesn't have any solid answers on what will be happening in the Fall, but 3 plans must be presented to the State. Option 1: COVID is fairly under control; Option 2: Bring back students in a limited capacity; Option 3: Schools cannot re-open. The Governor will make an announcement on July 1 about schools. We also need to take into account City and</p>

		<p>County regulations. DPS will also have plans about how to feed children in any of these scenarios. There's a new online enrollment program and applicants can upload documents to apply. The Child Nutrition application will also be online.</p>
<p>Meeting the Social Emotional Learning (SEL) needs of DPS students (Chris Soto)</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>There are six co-located mental health agencies. The State gave licenses to many therapists for telehealth. There is a strong base of active mental health referrals. DPS has been serving 1,119 families this fiscal. They have worked to decrease the number of families declining mental health. DPS has been trying to approve their Tier 1 approach by partnering and offering curricula that address mental health. 17 elementary schools have selected a formal social-emotional learning curriculum. There's also a resource box for school leaders and counselors to engage more deeply in the content. They are also looking at how to get adults more engaged with SEL.</p> <p>There's a social emotional screener through Panorama Education that is almost finalized. This should provide a way to better understand students' needs. DPS has also been partnering with FHI360 to form a SEL Hub (eg. website with a portal for 3 groups: educators, students and caregivers/families). This should streamline access for mental health referrals as well.</p> <p>There's a lot of restorative circles happening. They've been working with Center for Child and Family Health (CCFH) about trauma and trauma recovery and the tools that needs to be in place for kids and families.</p> <p>They have proposed School-based Wellness Champions. Since being connected to the SHAC, Chris has reached out to David Hackney to ensure this is coordinated. Principals have been asked to provide contacts.</p>
<p>Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DPS Wellness Policy-3021 and 6140 update (subgroups) • Triennial Wellness Policy Assessment (Jim Keaten) 	<p>10</p>	<p>The policy subgroup will continue to meet to work on the Reg and Policy document.</p> <p>Did not have time to discuss.</p>

Next steps Announcements	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- City (today at 3pm) and County have adopted resolution that racism is a public health issue- The latest State of the County Health Report has been released (www.healthdurham.org)- August 5, 10-4pm; Youth Expo on mental health, conflict resolution; Let Ashley know if you can contribute gift cards as incentives
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