





Healthier Wisconsin Partnership Program (HWPP)

Project Update-September 2018

Improving Children's Mental Health through School and Community
Partnerships



HWPP TEAMING UP WITH 2019 COHORT OF LEADERSHIP RACINE

The 2019 Leadership Racine Class includes a project collaboration with the HWPP Project! The group of 6

individuals who are participating in the leadership development program through the Racine Area Manufacturing and Commerce (RAMAC) will spend the next several months in collaboration with the HWPP staff and strategy teams on planning and implementation of Learning Landscapes. Got your attention yet?

Learning Landscapes are environmental changes that transform everyday spaces into opportunities for play and learning. Incorporating activities in places like bus stops, grocery stores and waiting rooms that stimulate learning and encourage positive interactions between caregivers and children. In collaboration with the HWPP staff, the Leadership Racine team will be involved in tasks such as informal data collection, researching possible locations in Racine, researching costs and necessary partners to implement learning landscapes and developing marketing plans. We are so grateful for this collaboration and eager to get started with the team and excited to share the progress and results with the community!



RUSD CONTINUES TO MEASURE SEL WITH PANORAMA SURVEY



The Racine Unified School District (RUSD) continued its commitment to improving school climate and teaching the whole child with the implementation of the Panorama student survey of social emotional learning during the 2017–2018 school year. The survey measures student perception in several competencies such as grit, growth mindset, emotion regulation and social awareness. Students in grades 3–9 participate in the survey, which is administered twice a year and provides valuable data for school staff and administration.

RUSD will continue implementation of the survey this school year and has been invited to share its experience in collecting SEL data with other school leaders from around the state in December in Wisconsin Dells at Building the Heart of Successful Schools, a conference sponsored by the Department of Public Instruction. Many thanks to Dr. Gallien, RUSD administrators and the Panorama Champs at each of the schools for being the driving force behind this effort to expand the SEL footprint in our schools!

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WANT RESOURCES? LOOK ONLINE.

One of our Strategy Teams has been working hard on improving coordination and pathways to mental health services. The team is working to develop a website that will help people to know what resources are available, help to navigate services and help to access valuable information and tools for a wide variety of needs.

The team is in the early stages of development and would like to get input from the community on what information and features would be most useful. We are looking for people/groups to participate in beta testing as the site is constructed. Contact Jackie Hartley to get involved or with any questions <u>jackie.hartley@racinecounty.com</u> or 262-822-7157. Stay tuned for more updates as this develops!

Contact Me If you're inspired to take action or want more information, reach out to me at <u>jackie.hartley@racinecounty.com</u> or 262.822.7157. Please share this newsletter with others!