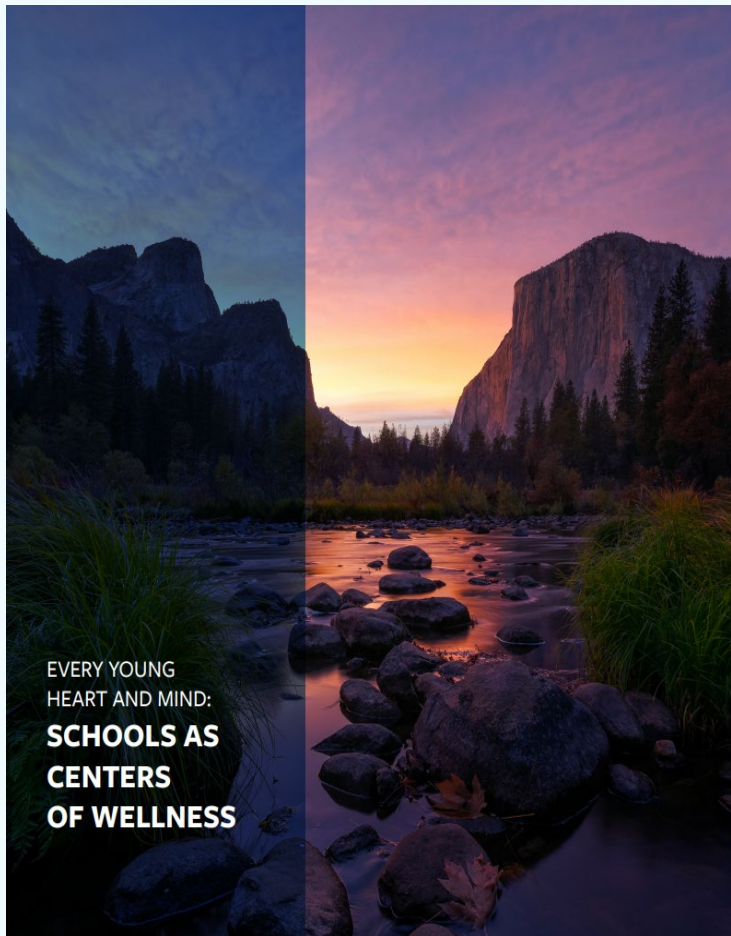


AGENDA ITEM 3: SCHOOL MENTAL HEALTH



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BACKGROUND



- Report adopted by Commission in October 2020
- In November 2020, the Commission directed staff to develop an implementation plan.

I. STATE LEADERSHIP

The Commission should authorize staff to work with the Governor's office and the Legislature to establish a statewide leadership action team.



II. STATE INVESTMENT

The Commission should work with the Governor's office and Legislature to:

- Increase investment in school mental health, beginning with funding \$80 million in 20 additional, qualified MHSSA grant applicants, as these are ready now.
- Expand the K-12 System of Support



III. STATE-SUPPORTED CAPACITY BUILDING

The Commission should authorize staff to pursue the following:

- Establish a School Mental Health Learning Collaborative.
- Support the establishment of K-12 mental health and wellness curriculum.



III. STATE-SUPPORTED CAPACITY BUILDING: DATA AND MANAGEMENT

The Commission should consider the following key opportunities:

- Establish data sharing agreements (in progress).
- Convene a working group to develop measures.
- Explore how school mental health metrics can be coordinated with the Governor's Cradle-to-Career Data System.
- Develop a dashboard on school mental health metrics.



III. STATE-SUPPORTED CAPACITY BUILDING: YOUTH LEADERSHIP AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

The Commission should consider the following key opportunities:

- Sponsor statewide youth mental health convening.
- Sponsor legislation to establish statewide and county Youth Mental Health leadership.
- Advocate for the inclusion of youth in CA's Peer Certification strategy.
- Explore opportunities for using MHSA WET funds to support youth involvement.



NEXT STEPS

- Proposed motion: *The Commission adopts the School Mental Health Report Implementation Plan and directs staff to work with the Administration and Legislature to take the necessary steps to pursue the Implementation Plan.*
- Full and timely implementation may require additional staffing and resources.

