



**State Board of Education Resolution
To Recognize the Importance of Mental Health Supports in Schools
SR19-2**

WHEREAS, all students, teachers, and staff deserve to feel physically and emotionally safe while at school;

WHEREAS, school administrators and District leaders are working to provide much-needed mental health supports for their students, educators, and their families, and working to build a positive school culture that promotes mental health;

WHEREAS, trauma-informed training, restorative practices, and social-emotional learning programs can serve to build a positive and healthy school climate in which all our students can effectively thrive academically and socially; and,

WHEREAS, there remain substantial gaps in mental health supports and services at District schools.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the DC State Board of Education recognizes the important work being done in the District to provide mental health supports in schools and calls for further investment in this key issue area;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that school- and district-level administrators across our city should further examine how their institutions can further promote mental health and well-being in our schools.

Date Adopted: 2/27/19 Signed: _____


