



BPS Student Support Services

ENSURING WHOLE SCHOOL, WHOLE COMMUNITY, AND WHOLE CHILD SUPPORTS DURING COVID-19

Donations and Volunteers

Teacher’s Desks, Ralph Wilson Foundation (Buffalo Bills), Read to Succeed, Fidelis, UB School of Social Work, Community Foundation, Blue Cross-Blue Shield, FeedMore WNY, WellNow Urgent Care, and Say Yes (i.e. books, mask, gloves, score cards, pencils, playing cards, totes, and wipes)

ECMC Medical students, Peacemakers, Buffalo Police Department, BPS Parents and Teachers, as well as Say Yes help to deliver meals to families and to distribute donations

Supplemental Health Care

2 Licensed Practical and Registered Nurses are on site at each BPS Grab and Go Site to provide medical guidance and support

Parent Congress Leadership and Members and Childcare For Essential Workers

Providing and informing the district with priority needs of parents; Creation of an informational document titled: “Stopping the Spread of COVID-19” with D’Youville College partners and a Parent Congress Leader (posted on the BPS Webpage); and the Child Care Provider Network (CCPN) is assisting parents who are essential workers with child care.





School Guidance Counselors

Conducting virtual senior record reviews with principals for ALL H.S. 12th graders

Processing and distributing youth working papers in accord with SED guidance

Providing Tier 1 counseling support and check in/ check out with students virtually with SSTs

Support For Suspended Students and Students Receiving Home Instruction Services

178 families informed (135 medical home instruction + 43 students scheduled for long term suspension hearings = 178)
via telephone and mail on accessing academic and wellness supports

200+ students already serving on long term out of school suspensions were contacted by their home school principals on how to access academic and wellness supports

Attendance Services

Worked with NYSED and the BPS IT Department to create a non-punitive code for reporting absences during COVID-19

13 Attendance Teacher called 50+ families with information on where and how to access: food pantries, counseling services, mentoring, and access to academic supports

Student Placement and Registration

Weekly postings will begin Monday 4/6 to keep families informed on progress

All 3 Year old and Pre K school assignments for 2020- 2021 completed

K, G/T, and Criteria school lotteries, assignments, and parent notifications will begin next week.

BPS Instructional Technology Department is supporting the ability to run random computerized lotteries remotely.



Social Emotional Wellness Department

Activities Accomplished

Robust cultural and linguistically responsive BPS website resources updated several times each week with new content to inform and support: students, families, district employees, and community members →

An online training in Restorative Practices and one in Trauma Informed Care created for staff, 278 BPS staff trained online since 3/16/20.

Daily virtual communications with Supplemental Health Care nurses to verify BPS staff and community wellness and needs at Grab n Go sites.

In Process:

Creating online Restorative Practices and Trauma Informed Care trainings for parents as well constructing online trainings on: Bully Prevention, Mindfulness, stress and anxiety Management, and Developing Resilient Learners for staff and parents

Crisis Intervention and Response For Students In Trauma

A systemic protocol has been established and communicated with school staff to for reporting students impacted by any form of trauma, during the COVID-19 school closure period.

To date, two student traumas have been reported and resolved.

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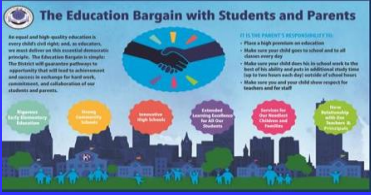
COVID-19 Resources

During the COVID-19 global pandemic a collaborative approach to provide resources within the ten interactive components of the WSOC Model can be found below. The WSOC Approach responds to the call for greater alignment, integration, and collaboration between health and education to improve cognitive, physical, social and emotional needs.

For general information on COVID-19 please click the link below:
[Buffalo Schools Coronavirus Updates](#)

Health Education	Community Involvement	Family Engagement	Employee Wellness
Physical Environment	Social & Emotional Climate	Counseling Psychological & Social Services	Health Services
Nutrition Environment & Services	Physical Education & Physical Activity		

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Say Yes To Education Partnering With The Buffalo Public Schools During COVID- 19 Outbreak

High School Supports

88% of seniors completed a Say Yes To Education Buffalo Scholarship application .

Mailings to families with 12th graders providing them with a reminder and support for completing the Say Yes to Education Scholarship application, as well as FASFA and TAP applications.

Front Line Work

Helping with meal delivery to homeless shelters with students and to home, as well as with distributing donations to families.

Gave donations of diapers, baby wipes, thermometers, hand soap, plastic bags, body wash, pencils, paper towels, Clorox wipes, trash bags, bath towels, bottled water, toilet paper, and mop buckets to families.

Mental Health Clinics

10 school based mental health clinics worked with SSTs to ensure continued support of more than 800+ BPS students; referrals are continuing. Agencies:

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| Best Self | Child & Family Services |
| Gateway | Endeavor |
| Catholic Charities | Jewish Family |
| Catholic Health | Kalieda |
| Our Lady of Victory | Erie County Mental Health |

Legal Clinic Support

Established a legal clinic call in line for civil legal needs: 716- 847-0662 ext. 324

Breaking Barriers- Mentoring

600 contacts made between mentors and mentees to provide virtual support with coping and education