Healthy Schools Susatinable Funding and Resources Group Talking Points

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About HSCI

Healthy Schools Collective Impact (HSCI) is a collaborative to **improve health outcomes for all Colorado children and youth** by supporting school cultures and environments to integrate health and wellness equitably for all students and staff.

Funders Group

The Healthy Schools Sustainable Funding and Resources Group (a subgroup) has formed to ensure Colorado districts, state agencies, and other funders effectively collaborate to ensure health and wellness in schools is sufficiently and equitably resourced.

Supporting Statements

We have an opportunity to make Colorado a national leader in equitably supporting child and youth health and wellness. Working together we can:

* Be more responsive and quicker to adapt to local school and district needs;
* Better identify gaps in funding;
* Leverage our resources for less duplication and more coverage;
* Align funding application, reporting and other requirements to reduce burden on schools and districts; and
* Be more agile in leveraging opportunities for Colorado schools to access national funding.

Background Information

Our group is committed to understanding and being responsive to the needs of Colorado schools and districts. Our current membership has identified some guardrails for our work, but we recognize the critical need to engage more funders to ensure we are equitably addressing funding and resource gaps across the state.