

# Arthur CUSD 305 Awarded Community Partnership Grant to Support Mental Wellness of Students, Educators, and Families

In March 2022, the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) announced 136 grant awards to support students, educators, and families' social, emotional, behavioral, and mental health needs. Arthur CUSD 305 was selected as a recipient of the Community Partnership Grant.

Since the notification of becoming a recipient of the grant, Arthur CUSD 305 has developed and expanded its partnerships with Midwest PBIS, Piatt County Mental Health Center, RISE Behavioral Health and Wellness, Moultrie County Counseling Center, Arthur Public Library, and Atwood-Hammond Public Library.

A District and Community Leadership Team (DCLT) was developed in August 2022, which includes all partners included in the grant and all Arthur CUSD 305 administrators, school counselors, and representatives from the Arthur Police Department, the Arthur Ministerial Association, Arthur Christian School, and Douglas County Health Department.

Throughout the next year we will continue to ask for parental and youth feedback.

This team has analyzed district and community data and compiled a list of available resources for our students, staff, families, and communities. As a part of this project, the list of resources will be shared on our website for families to access.

Our partner, Midwest Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (MWPBIS), provides leadership and training to our DCLT and school leadership teams on an Interconnected Systems Framework. By utilizing an Interconnected Systems Framework, these

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