

Foundation Academy

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Student Wellness and Success Funds

School Name: Foundation Academy IRN: 009192

Describe the use of funds:

Foundation Academy is committed to having our staff create and foster a culture that embraces the "whole child" and to increase student well-being. The classrooms will continue to nurture a feeling of belonging at each grade level. With the direction of our district coordinator for Wellness, we will continue implementing programs for prevention and support through our company's mental health team- which includes nurses, counselors, and social workers. This will be carried through with the Educational Service Center, ACCEL Schools directors, and our local Board Members. We will continually work to create awareness with the idea in mind that it is "it is easier to build strong children than fix broken adults", which includes both staff and students.

Goals:

- Students will be kept physically, intellectually, and socially safe each day.
- Students will have the opportunity to experience and have opportunities that are aligned with their interests and strengths during and beyond their Foundation Academy school experience.
- Foundation Academy will work to connect peers, adults, and the daily curriculum.

Strategies:

- The school environment is developed to sustain a place where all students are cared for, listened to, valued, and respected.
- Rigorous learning with educational resources, and social support will be always accessible to all students.
- Evidence and data-based learning alongside academic, physical, social and emotional support will be used to meet the need of each student.
- The use of Special Education Related services such as School Psychologist, Occupational Therapist, Physical Therapist, and speech therapy.

Estimated # of students directly and indirectly impacted: 420

Name and describe coordination with community partners:

To support the use of Student Wellness and Success Funds, the Academy will partner with at least two community partners. During the 2023-2024 school year, Foundation Academy will partner with Third-Street Clinic and Accel's "See Something-Say Something" program. The partnership will include the following services:

- Counseling
- Group counseling
- Health and welfare
- Wrap-around services

We are working on a future partnership with Friendly House for a 21st Century Grant.

Describe the anticipated impact of the utilization of funds.

The use of the Student Wellness and Success funds will impact our students by improving overall Social and Emotional Health and addressing the ongoing concerns stemming from the pandemic. The funds will help all students who are directly impacted. Foundation Academy expects to see a 5-10% decrease in disruptive student behavior year after year.