Executive Summary
Fayette County Public Schools Board Meeting
Agenda Item

MEETING: Planning   **DATE:** 9/11/2023

TOPIC: New Position and Job Description – Healthy Schools Specialist

PREPARED BY: Jennifer Dyar and Debbie Boian

Recommended Action on: 9/25/2023
                                        Action Item for Vote (REGULAR MEETING)

Superintendent Prior Approval: Choose an item.

Recommendation/Motion: A motion is in order to approve the addition of the Healthy Schools Specialist position.

Background/Rationale: The recent global pandemic exposed a number of health-related issues that our students are experiencing, some issues were evident prior to the pandemic - others were the result of the global pandemic response. In light of issues facing students, staff have worked to develop a strategic plan using the Centers for Disease Control's (CDC) Whole Community, Whole School, Whole Child (WSCC) model for health. Kentucky Department of Education (KDE) shared that the CDC offered a grant program (School-Based Interventions to Promote Equity and Improve Health, Academic Achievement, and Well-Being of Students) to address health issues in school communities. FCPS was asked if there was interest in applying for grant funds in a joint effort to fund a student wellness initiatives based on the WSCC model, as Fayette already had a strategic plan, FCPS agreed to the proposal. KDE learned their proposal was approved in June. $106,000 per year, for a period of 5 years has been pledged to FCPS as their portion of the funding package. Staff recommends funds used to fund a 10.5-month FTE position to assist in heading up a comprehensive school health team to address health barriers to education as outlined in the strategic plan.

Strategic Priority:
☒ Student Achievement   ☒ Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging
☐ Highly Effective & Culturally Responsive Workforce
☒ Stakeholder Engagement & Outreach   ☒ Organizational Health & Efficiency

Data Considerations: Student attendance, Health Office visit data

Policy: 01.11 (General Powers and Duties of the Board)

Fiscal Impact: CDC Grant funding for salary

Attachments(s): Job Description