

*Delaware*



*Department of  
Education*

# Opportunity Funding for Mental Health Services

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Funding Period: Fiscal Year 2021

**Delaware Department of Education  
Opportunity Funding Form  
2020-2021 School Year**

Opportunity Funding  
*Directed funds for mental health services for students identified as  
low-income or English Learners*

**Application deadline: Friday, July 31, 2020**

**Purpose:** The Opportunity Funding directed to mental health services provides \$5.0 million in FY20, \$2.5 million in HB 225 (Annual Appropriations Act) and \$2.5 million authorized in HB 226 (One-Time Supplemental). With a total supplemental amount of \$7.5 million over three years, the total amount will be \$15 million *contingent on future appropriations*. The Opportunity Fund is to provide additional funding for English Learner (EL) and low-income students.

For FY21, \$2.5 million is appropriated through HB 240 (Annual Appropriations Act). The guiding language regarding these funds and eligibility was amended through HB260 (Grants- In-Aid Act). The \$2.5 million allocated is supplemented with the \$2.5 million from HB 226 as referenced above. A total of \$5 million is appropriated for FY21.

These funds continue to be apportioned to schools which qualify for a Reading Interventionist under the Student Success Block Grant.

This funding shall be used by school districts and charter schools for *mental health services* in the form of school counselors, school social workers or licensed clinical social workers, school psychologists, and/or for additional reading supports for grades K-5. Services may include the employment of staff, where such funding may be used to cover 100 percent of personnel costs on a 10 to 12-month basis and/or contracted services.

**Allocation Method:** Amounts vary per school and that amount is indicated below. Each LEA has already received the first half of the funding; the second amount will be released upon receipt and approval of this application.

DISTRICT/CHARTER NAME: Capital School District - Towne Point Elementary School
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ALLOCATION AMOUNT: \$64,163

**Questions:**

1. What mental health needs of your identified low-income and English learner students will you be addressing through these mental health services funds?  
*(Please indicate N/A if these funds are solely being used for reading supports for the two subgroups – EL and low-income.)*

The mental health professionals will provide direct services to students in schools in addition to providing support to school teams on student problem solving. Research has provided evidence of direct correlation between poverty and immigration status and individual mental health risk. Building LCSWs into existing school systems will improve mental health awareness and support available to all students; however, the greatest focus of direct services will be to serve students with low socio-economic status, students who have experienced trauma, students experiencing homelessness, and ESL students from immigrant families. The LCSW's will work with families, students, staff and administration to provide the tools for successful mental health and connecting them to supports that will help the students be proficient and productive in the school setting. The LCSW will be a member of the Tier 2 and Tier 3 intervention teams. The LCSW can also provide coaching to classroom teachers, engage families to support school initiatives, perform home visits, and consult with administration on complex cases.

2. What kind of mental health services personnel are you hiring or contracting (school counselor, school social worker, licensed clinical social worker or school psychologist)?

We are hiring an LCSW - The LCSW will have access to all students and families on an as need basis. As a district/ school employee, the LCSW will be embedded in the school culture.

3. Are you using these funds for reading supports for your identified low-income and English learner students in addition to mental health services or in lieu of mental health services? If so, what types of supports/services will be provided?

No, We are hiring an LCSW.

4. How will you know if these services or supports are effective?

We will review the ABC data at the end of each marking period. SBAC data will be considered. Tier 2 and Tier 3 data will also been a park of the data considered for effectiveness. District supervisor hold monthly PLC meetings to support the LCSW.

5. Is this money being used to contract services?

YES  NO

6. Please complete the State Funds Budget Form and State Budget Summary Form (attached).





## State of Delaware Department of Education State Funds Budget Form

State Subgrant: Opportunity Grant  
 Project Title: Mental Health (Towne Point)  
 LEA/Agency: Capital School District

Project Start Date: 7/1/2020  
 Project End Date: 6/30/2021

Expense Types and Account Codes: Salaries (5100) and Other Employee Costs (5120)						
Employee Name	Title	FTE Percentage		State Funds Requested	Matching Funds	Total Funds
<b>PROFESSIONAL:</b>				\$	\$	\$
	1 FTE Clinical Social Worker	100%		\$38,895.42	\$28,058.58	\$66,954.00
			Professional Subtotal	\$38,895.42	\$28,058.58	\$66,954.00
<b>SUBSTITUTES:</b>				\$	\$	\$
			Substitutes Subtotal			
<b>SUPPORT STAFF:</b>				\$	\$	\$
			Support Staff Subtotal			
<b>STUDENTS:</b>				\$	\$	\$
			Students Subtotal			
<b>SALARY TOTAL:</b>				<b>\$38,895.42</b>	<b>\$28,058.58</b>	<b>\$66,954.00</b>
<b>OTHER EMPLOYEE COSTS:</b>				\$	\$	\$
FICA		6.20%		\$2,411.52	\$1,739.63	\$4,151.15
Medicare		1.45%		\$563.98	\$406.85	\$970.83
Pension		22.95%		\$8,926.50	\$6,439.44	\$15,365.94
Workman's Comp		1.55%		\$602.88	\$434.91	\$1,037.79
Unemployment Insurance		0.11%		\$42.78	\$30.86	\$73.65
		32.26%		\$12,720.00	\$11,600.00	\$24,320.00
Health Insurance/Other Non-taxed Benefits		\$15,013.00				
<b>OEC TOTAL:</b>				<b>\$25,267.66</b>	<b>\$20,651.70</b>	<b>\$45,919.36</b>
<b>SALARY AND OEC TOTAL:</b>				<b>\$64,163.08</b>	<b>\$48,710.28</b>	<b>\$112,873.36</b>



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Expense Types and Account Codes: Travel (5400)					
Destination	Purpose	# of Travelers	State Funds Requested	Matching Funds	Total Funds
			\$	\$	\$
<b>TOTAL TRAVEL COSTS</b>					

Expense Types and Account Codes: Contractual Services (5500)				
Vendor Name	Service Provided	State Funds Requested	Matching Funds	Total Funds
		\$	\$	\$
<b>TOTAL CONTRACTUAL SERVICES COSTS</b>				

Expense Types and Account Codes: Supplies and Materials (5600)					
Item Description	Quantity	Unit Price	State Funds Requested	Matching Funds	Total Funds
			\$	\$	\$
<b>TOTAL SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS COSTS</b>					



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**Project End Date:** 6/30/2021

Expense Types and Account Codes: Capital Outlay (5700)					
Item Description	Quantity	Unit Price	State Funds Requested	Matching Funds	Total Funds
<u>Replacement Equipment</u>			\$	\$	\$
<u>New Equipment</u>					
<b>TOTAL SUPPLIES AND MATERIALS COSTS</b>					

<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>State Funds Requested</b>	<b>Matching Funds</b>	<b>Total Funds</b>
	<b>\$64,163.08</b>	<b>\$48,710.28</b>	<b>\$112,873.36</b>





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***BUDGET SUMMARY OF STATE FUNDS***

LEA/Agency Name: Capital School District

State Subgrant Title: Opportunity Grant

Project Title: Mental Health (Towne Point)

<i>Account Code</i>	<i>5100</i>	<i>5120</i>	<i>5400</i>	<i>5500</i>	<i>5600</i>	<i>5700</i>	<i>Total</i>
<i>Account Code Name</i>	<i>Salaries</i>	<i>OEC's</i>	<i>Travel</i>	<i>Contracted Services</i>	<i>Supplies &amp; Materials</i>	<i>Capital Outlay</i>	<i>Budget</i>
<b>Total Budget</b>	\$38,895.42	\$25,267.66					\$64,163.08

Completed By: Sylvia Henderson

Date: 7/13/2020

Chief Financial Officer or Business Manager:

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Date:

7/13/2020