



Supporting Schools through MTSS and Project AWARE

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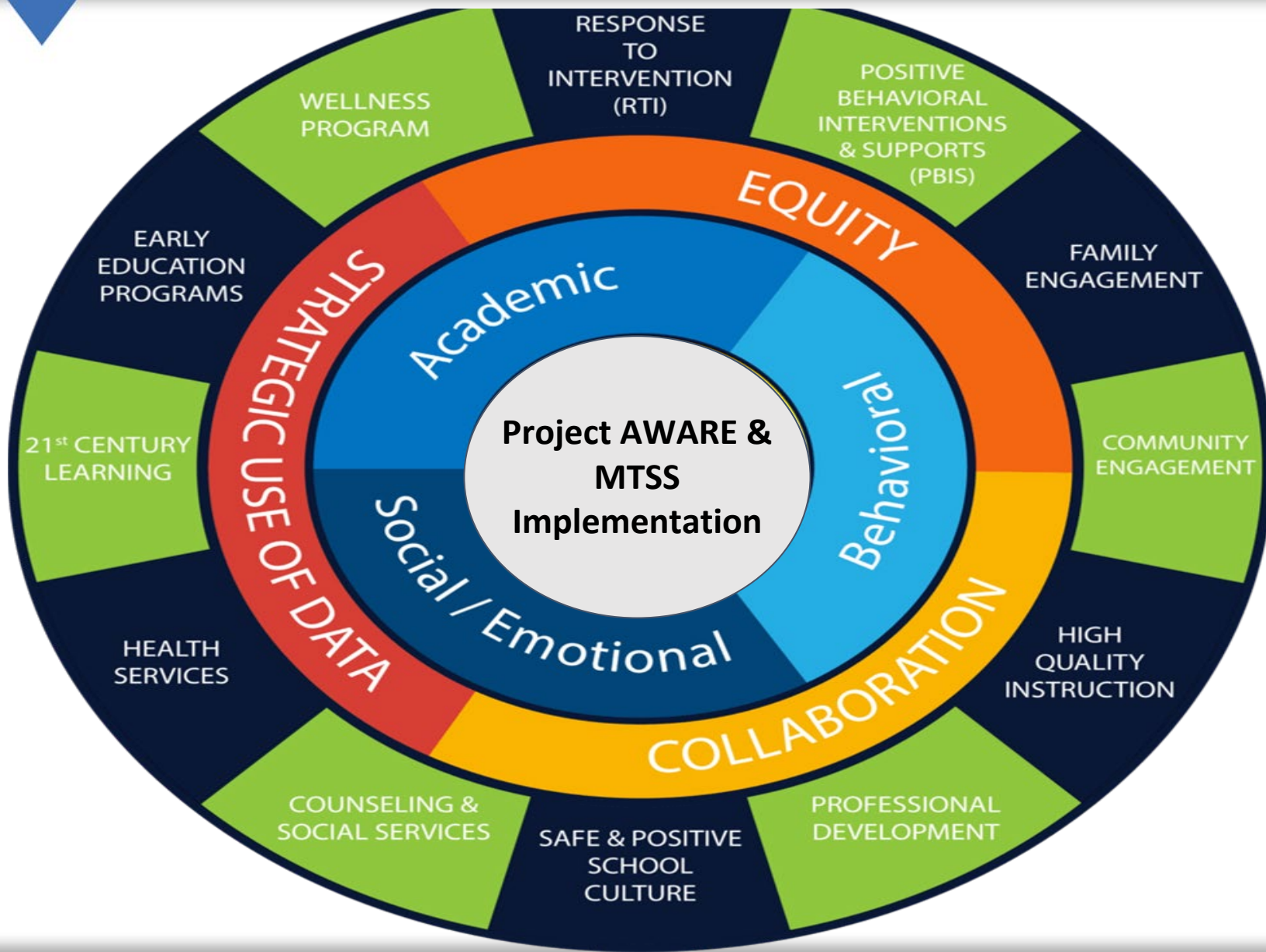


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What is Project AWARE?

- A 5-year grant program focused on promoting equity, restorative practices, cultural responsiveness, and social-emotional learning (SEL), and mental health awareness.
- Will enable the increased access to mental health professionals, clinical health specialists, and related community partnerships for SPCSA schools.
- Will provide access to support in implementing a Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS) for interested schools.
- Will be supported by a contracted project manager and project facilitator.

What Does it Look Like?



Project AWARE Strategies



Strategy 1: Integrate mental wellness promotion, restorative practices, youth and family voice, and social emotional strategies into existing tier one/universal services.

Strategy 2: Build and integrate the capacity of school-based behavioral health specialists (psychologists, advance practice nurses, counselors, social workers, and behavioral analysts), to screen for, provide early intervention for, and to address any ongoing mental health needs.

Strategy 3: Strengthen school-community partnerships with a goal of comprehensive integrated referrals (including crisis and recovery), shared case planning, services and supports for students.

Strategy 4: Increase and improve access to culturally competent and developmentally appropriate school and community-based mental health services, particularly for all children and youth including those experiencing more intensive mental health challenges.

What will this mean for schools next year?

- Provide schools access to initial trainings
 - mental health awareness
 - social-emotional learning
 - restorative practices
 - trauma informed care and instruction
 - cultural competence
 - suicide prevention
 - bully prevention
- Support interested schools in developing community partnerships for clinical services
- Support 10-20 school campuses with the implementation of Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS)
- Initiate a Project Aware steering committee made up of school staff



Closing Comments and
Questions

