

Student Wellness and Success Funds

School Name: Riverside Academy

IRN: 133678

Describe the use of funds:

Riverside Academy will use Student Wellness and Success funds to provide psychological services, occupational therapy, physical therapy, and other services associated with serving students with disabilities.

The Academy will use at least 50% of Student Wellness and Success Funds for mental health services or physical healthcare services or a combination of contracting with outside agencies to provide counseling and other services to our students and hiring mental health professionals.

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 2024-2025 school year, the Academy will partner Lighthouse Youth Services (LYS) and PSI Solutions. The partnerships will include the following services:

- address mental health problems that our students may be experiencing. Riverside will work with LYS to identify students that could benefit for these services and refer students after receiving consent from the parents/guardians. These students will receive school-based therapy based on their diagnosis from an intake assessment.
- LYS will work with identified groups of students on resiliency, social skills, and coping skills.
- Occupational Therapy, Speech and Language Therapy, and English Language Learners support

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 trauma. Riverside Academy's goal is to see a 5-10% decrease in challenging student behavior year over year. In addition, we expect to see an increase in academic achievement with our students with disabilities, increasing Performance Index on State Tests to at least 56.

Schools: Please see the following website for information on community partnerships - <https://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Student-Supports/School-Wellness/Supporting-Student-Wellness#Uses%C2%A0>

