# WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT Pupil Services Committee May 8, 2023 6:30 p.m. Spellman Education Center

#### **AGENDA**

•	Public Comment of Agenda Items	
*	Approval of April 11, 2023 Committee Meeting Minutes	Ms. Chester
	Presentation on Fostering Positive Learning Environments for all Students	Ms. Kleiman and Dr. Missett

★ Indicates Committee Voting Item

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### WEST CHESTER AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT Pupil Services Committee

## April 11, 2023 Spellman Education Center Board Room A Start: 6:30 pm – Finish: pm

Attending	Committee	Members:
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□ Daryl Durnell		

#### **Other Board Members:**

☐ Gary Bevilacqua ☐ Karen Fleming ☐ Karen Herrmann ☐ Sue Tiernan ☐ Stacey Whomsle	y
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#### **Administration:**

☒ Kalia Reynolds
 ☒ Wayne Birster
 ☒ Melissa Kleiman
 ☒ Sara Missett
 ☒ John Scully
 ☒ Jeff Ulmer
 ☒ Cheryl Newton-Woods

#### **Public Comment:**

#### Items on Agenda:

- Approval of February 13, 2023 Pupil Services Committee Meeting Minutes
- Approval of March 13, 2023 Pupil Services Committee Meeting Minutes
- Approval of Sweet, Stevens, Katz and Williams contract renewal
- Presentation on paraprofessional support in the district by Casey Wyatt and Melissa Kleiman

## Pupil Services Committee Actions/Outcomes to be placed on the April 24, 2023 Board Agenda for approval:

Agenda Item	Vote
Approval of February 13, 2023 Pupil Services Committee Meeting Minutes	3-0
Approval of March 13, 2023 Pupil Services Committee Meeting Minutes	3-0
Approval of Sweet, Stevens, Katz and Williams contract renewal	4-0

**Board Consent Agenda Items: None** 

Items to be discussed at a later date: None

## West Chester Area School District

Our Mission is to Educate and Inspire Our Students to Achieve Their Personal Best

# Fostering Positive Learning Environments for All Students



## Multi-Tiered System of Support (MTSS)

#### Targeted/ Intensive

FEW High-Risk students Individual Interventions (3-5%)

#### Selected

SOME At-Risk Students

Small Group & Individual Strategies

(10-25% of students)

#### Universal

**ALL Students** 

School/Class-Wide, Culturally Relevant Systems of Support with Solid Relationships

(75-90% of students)

Tier 1 Supports and Interventions



## Benefits of SEL

Students are better able to advocate for themselves

Students utilize resources and supports available to them

Students feel safe in the learning environments
SEL helps create





## K-5 Second Step Curriculum

The Second Step program allows students to build social-emotional skills.

- Develops strategies to nurture positive relationships
- Promotes goal setting for students
- Teaches skills to manage emotions





## **Student Code of Conduct**

- 1. Code of conduct is a set of principles and expectations.
- 2. Student expectations:
  - a. School
  - b. Bus

3. Administrative actions for elementary, middle and high school

- a. All discipline is based on school board policy.
  - i. Level I
  - ii. Level II
  - iii. Level III



## Restorative Practices Fundamentals

- This concept is not new!
- Restorative Practices are alternatives to punishment-based approaches to school discipline.
- Restorative Practices focus on how to strengthen relationships between individuals and emphasize student accountability.
- The process factor and habitation and increase that there is an and character.





## Restorative Practices: Becoming a Restorative School

#### **Multi-Year Implementation Plan:**

#### Focus areas:

- Leadership
- School culture and climate
- Policies and past practices

#### **Steps to implementation:**

- Identify a team
- Review current data
- Target professional development
- Assessment of program





## Benefits of Intervention

Students are taught replacement behaviors

Students are better able to advocate for themselves in the classroom

Less discipline referrals

Less students require referrals to intensive programs



