



MEMORANDUM

TO: School Committee

FROM: Jill Carter, Senior Executive Director, Office of Health & Wellness, District Wellness Council Co-chair

CC: Mary Skipper, Superintendent
Rochelle Nwosu, Chief of Staff
Linda Chen, Senior Deputy Superintendent
PJ McCann, Deputy Commissioner for Policy & Planning, Boston Public Health Commission

DATE: Wednesday, October 26, 2022

RE: District Wellness Policy SY20-21 Annual Report

There is no action required by the School Committee as a result of reviewing this memo. This memo aims to inform the school committee of the activities and recommendations of the District Wellness Council, as well as report on the implementation of the BPS District Wellness Policy (HWD-01). The District Wellness Council (DWC) is required by the state to annually assess compliance with the BPS District Wellness Policy. We alternate between qualitative and quantitative annual assessments. The attached report is a qualitative report and contains:

- A report on the goals and activities of the District Wellness Council during SY20-21;
- Recommendations made by the council to improve wellness policy implementation; and
- Narrative examples of wellness policy implementation at 15 schools across the district, based on school staff interviews, representing excellent work in all areas of the wellness policy.

According to federal and state law, this annual report must be presented to the Superintendent and the BPS School Committee, submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), and made available to the public.

During the current school year, the District Wellness Council will compile the quantitative report for SY2021-2022. That report will be presented to the School Committee later in the school year.