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“One way to address student mental health? Bring the clinic to school.” Read about the services provided by #schoolbasedhealth centers, included why they’re drawing renewed interest by policymakers, in @ChalkbeatDet. <https://detroit.chalkbeat.org/2022/4/4/23009810/michigan-school-based-health-centers-mental-student-state-funding-covid>

“Many Michigan school administrators say they’ve often served as stand-in public health officials during the pandemic. It’s no surprise that districts across the state are eager to get backup from a program that opens clinics in schools.” @ChalkbeatDet <https://detroit.chalkbeat.org/2022/4/4/23009810/michigan-school-based-health-centers-mental-student-state-funding-covid>

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“Many school districts are trying add more counselors, nurses, and social workers. Adding new school-based health centers would make those efforts more effective because they’re better equipped to assist with the most complex cases.” More in @ChalkbeatDet <https://detroit.chalkbeat.org/2022/4/4/23009810/michigan-school-based-health-centers-mental-student-state-funding-covid>

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As advocates push for a major funding increase, the outcome of this year’s budget negotiations could shape Michigan’s system for supporting student mental health for years to come — even after federal COVID funds run out. It would mean new health centers in roughly 100 districts that have expressed an interest in opening one but weren’t awarded funds. From



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“Rates of depression and suicide among Michigan youth were already rising when the pandemic hit...officials are warning of an emergency in youth mental health. Yet 1/3 of students w/mental illness don’t receive treatment, particularly in rural areas.” It’s a massive problem in Michigan, but one with a potential solution: more school-based health centers.

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“School-based health centers make it convenient for students to leave class and walk down the hall for therapy, a medical checkup, or a dental appointment. While the first centers in Michigan opened decades ago, policymakers have renewed interest in them in the wake of COVID and the ongoing student mental health crisis.” Via @ ChalkbeatDetroit

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Administrators in districts with school-based health centers say they are effective: “There are hundreds of kids walking down the hall and getting the care that they need from a medical, dental, and behavioral health aspect,” said Tom Livezey, superintendent of Oak Ridge Public Schools near Muskegon. “I can’t imagine having to go through the pandemic without this service.” Read more from @ChalkBeatDetroit

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