



YPI CHARTER SCHOOLS

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TO: YPI Charter Schools
Board of Directors

FROM: Yvette King-Berg
Executive Director

SUBJECT: Recommendation to approve revised YPICS Youth Suicide Prevention Policy

BACKGROUND

California *Education Code (EC)* Section 215, as added by Assembly Bill 2246, (Chapter 642, Statutes of 2016) mandates that the Governing Board of any local educational agency (LEA) that serves pupils in grades seven to twelve, inclusive, adopt a policy on pupil suicide prevention, intervention, and postvention. The policy shall specifically address the needs of high-risk groups, including suicide awareness and prevention training for teachers, and ensure that a school employee acts within the authorization and scope of the employee's credential or license.

ANALYSIS

The severity and serious needs now seen in our schools has led to the recommendation to update the Youth Suicide Prevention Policy for the YPI Charter Schools (YPICS) to ensure all employees are aware of and prepared to appropriately address this growing problem.

The Board of Directors approved a Youth Suicide Prevention Policy on December 6, 2021. This policy has been updated to reflect updated contacts and resources for staff, students, and the greater community. Adoption of this policy includes the requirement that all employees are trained on youth suicide prevention.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board of Directors approve the revised YPICS Youth Suicide Prevention Policy.

Attachment: YPICS Suicide Prevention Policy