## EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHOOL SYSTEM



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## EBR Schools offering mental health services for students at every campus

**BATON ROUGE, LA.** – The East Baton Rouge Parish School System is pleased to announce the implementation of comprehensive mental health resources available at district schools. This initiative aims to provide essential support for students experiencing mental health concerns.

This free initiative is part of a broader effort to address the growing mental health needs of students and to provide timely and effective support within the school environment. With mental health professionals available at every school, students can receive immediate assistance, which will help promote a healthier, more supportive school community.

Bridgette Webster, director of Mental Health Services, expressed enthusiasm about this initiative. "We recognize that increasing mental health awareness will reduce the stigma associated with seeking mental health support," Webster said. "We desire to create safe spaces for students to thrive and maximize their fullest potential."

To access these mental health services, students must have a referral from their school counselor. This requirement ensures that each student receives appropriate and personalized care tailored to their needs. Once parental consent is obtained, students can receive treatment at no cost.

For more information about the mental health services available, parents and guardians are encouraged to contact their child's school counselor.

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