**Ore City ISD School Health Advisory Council**

**Minutes from October 12, 2023**

The Ore City ISD SHAC met on Thursday, October 12, 2023, at 4:00pm in the Boardroom. Those present included: Mindy Hamilton, Rebecca Williams, Kurt Bannert, Ericka Rogers, Kristy Stevens, Beau Vincent, Amy McFatridge, and Sarah Lange.

* A copy of the OCISD Wellness Plan and the SHAC Vision and Mission were given to all present. The current Wellness Plan was updated and board approved in March. A copy can be found on the district’s website.
* Nurse Mindy Hamilton reported that the Goodside Health clinics offered on all campuses had 137 student and staff visits during the 2022-2023 school year. There have already been 53 visits since school started in August. Goodside Health offers on-campus access to telehealth for sick or injured students and staff. School nurses facilitate the visits, performing strep, flu and covid testing, as well as assessments for the attending physicians.
* Reports were given on health events that have taken place this semester so far. A Back to School Shot Clinic was offered to students on August 14 at the annual Health Fair. There were 14 health organizations/vendors who participated in the health fair, and there were approximately 200 school and community members in attendance. B12 and Lipo shots were offered to staff June 14, August 9, September 6, and October 12. At the October 12 clinic, 21 staff members were able to receive flu shots. On August 14 and September 21, the OCHS Student Council (StuCo) hosted blood drives, collecting 23 units of blood total.
* All campuses announced they will be emphasizing Red Ribbon Week the week of October 24-31. Each day will have a theme, and staff and students will be encouraged to participate to promote the fight against alcohol and drugs. The SHAC will offer each campus drug/alcohol abuse facts to share each day during announcements. SHAC members discussed having an anti-drug visual in the cafeterias during Red Ribbon Week as well.
* OCHS StuCo is having a fundraiser, “Socktober”, for the month of October, selling socks with colorful designs for $5 with proceeds going to support St. Jude’s Children’s Hospital. Members are selling the socks online and during lunch on Fridays.
* The district’s LPC-S, Kurt Bannert, shared that the district will be utilizing Texas Child Health Access Through Telemedicine (TCHATT), which provides telemedicine or telehealth programs to school districts to help identify and assess the behavioral health needs of children and adolescents and provide access to mental health services. TCHATT offers five free sessions to any student who needs counseling services. This will also aid in serving students and families whose primary language is Spanish, as bilingual counselors are provided.
* Upcoming events were announced, including: Student Flu Shot Clinic 10/23/23, Smiles of Tomorrow Mobile Dentist 10/24/23, 10/26/23, 10/27/23, UT Health Mammogram Mobile Unit 12/6/23, Staff B12/Lipo Shot Clinic 11/8/23 and 12/13/23, and Carter Blood Drive 12/8/23

**The next SHAC meeting was set for Thursday, December 7, 2023, at 4:00pm in the Boardroom.**