

September 16, 2022

Dear Wayne-Westland Students, Staff and Families,

Over the past few years, you may have seen messages in the front lobby of schools that reference the commitment of Wayne-Westland Community Schools to “the whole child.”

At Wayne-Westland Community Schools, “the whole child” means;

- **Care** – A focus on the needs of the child in all areas.
- **Membership** – A sense of connection to our schools.
- **Support** – Advocacy for our students.
- **Safety** – Emotional and physical security for students.

This commitment means that we provide services that will allow our students to grow individually and socially, find a sense of purpose and have the tools necessary to pursue their passion. Our support of student mental health services is more than a banner for us, especially when considering the societal challenges of the past two years and how our mental health initiatives help support a safe and positive environment for all of our students.

This year WWCS is increasing our emphasis on the whole child by expanding our resources and access to information. This work includes strategies as basic as staff making connections with every student through simple greetings or as extensive as strengthening the partnerships between mental health service providers for our students and staff. When students feel safe and supported at school and home, they will have stronger academic performances.

I encourage you to learn more about resources available to families at our [Social Emotional Learning link](#). In addition, our [Family Resource Center](#) (FRC) services any WWCS student or family needing resources and referrals. Please contact our FRC at 734-419-2709 or FRC@wwcsd.net for assistance.

Our district has a partnership with Care Solace. They can help you or a family member find mental health support or substance abuse services. Care Solace is a complimentary and confidential service provided to students, staff, and their families by Wayne-Westland Community School District. Care Solace’s multilingual team is available 24/7/365.

Contact Care Solace

- Call 888-515-0595 anytime, day or night.
- Visit www.caresolace.com/wwcsd and either search on your own OR click “Book Appointment” for assistance by video chat, email, or phone.

- Speak to a mental health staff person at your school (Social Worker, Psychologist or Counselor) and ask them to complete a “Warm Handoff” for Care Solace. Once the Warm Handoff is complete, Care Solace will contact you directly at the number you provide.

Wayne-Westland Community Schools is proud of the long-standing School-Based Health Clinic at Adams Middle School. The mission of the [Beaumont Adams Child and Adolescent Healthcare Center](#) is to improve and maintain the overall health and well-being of children throughout Wayne-Westland Community Schools. This center is funded by the Beaumont Foundation and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services. *They accept all insurance and uninsured students.*

Beaumont Adams Child and Adolescent Healthcare Center Services

- School and Sports Physicals
- Immunizations
- Sick Care
- Asthma Screening and Management
- Counseling
- Health Promotion
- Vision Testing
- Hearing Testing
- Nutritional Counseling

Please call today to schedule your child's appointment at 734-728-2423

At Wayne-Westland Community Schools, we support each other’s learning and well-being. The next time you see things about the “whole child,” please recognize that it also serves as an important reminder that everyone has a role in fostering healthy relationships with our students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Dignan". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" being larger and more prominent than the last name "Dignan".

John Dignan, Ed.D.
Superintendent