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Priorities and Direction for SREB

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SREB Priorities

- Artificial Intelligence in Education
- Career Pathways and Credentials
- Educator Workforce
- Longitudinal Literacy
- Student Success in Postsecondary

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SREB Crisis Recovery Support Network

What are the Phases of School Crisis?

- Prevention
- Management
- Recovery

What is Recovery?

- Timeframe
- Components
 - Reopening Schools
 - Counseling Support

Counseling

- Critical to reopening plan
- “Home” counselors should lead and participate, not execute the plan in the immediate aftermath
- School/Institution Support Timing
 - Days 3 – 370
 - Anniversaries

Possible Solution

- SREB Crisis Recovery Support Network
- Goal: provide a coordinated, holistic response to crisis recovery, offering year-long mental health support for students, teachers, and communities impacted by tragedies.
- The Network will *complement* existing crisis management efforts by focusing on long-term healing and psychological resilience.

Leadership

- SREB
- SREB Crisis Recovery Coordinator

Network Workforce

- SREB Crisis Recovery Coordinator
- In consultation with State Education Agency/State Higher Education Agency, identify a state “captain”
- 320 Counselors (20 per state)

Counselor Identification and Permissions

- In consultation with State Education Agency/State Higher Education Agency, the SREB Crisis Recovery Coordinator will identify and vet 20 counselors in each state
- The Network counselors will be employed by local districts or postsecondary institutions and will be called into service only during extended or extreme crises
- Prior to identification as a Network counselor, the local superintendent, principal, or postsecondary leader would be asked to sign an agreement allowing participation

Counselor Training

- PREPaRE is a nationally recognized credential specifically designed to provide counseling support in an educational environment
- The training focuses *solely* on crisis support
- PREPaRE must be recertified every five years
- Annually, the counselors will need to be certified in psychological first aid

Methodology

- Contact the SEA or state postsecondary office and the local leadership where the crisis occurred
- SREB Network coordinator will meet with counselors onsite to determine the plan for the next three months through one year
- In collaboration with state agencies and the local school, coordinator will set up a deployment of counselors from across the region on one- to two-week rotations, balancing crisis support with responsibilities at counselors' home school or institution

Network Funding

- SREB Commitment
 - Employ Crisis Recovery Coordinator
 - During deployment, SREB will cover all travel, housing, and food costs
- Philanthropic/ State Support
 - The startup and ongoing cost will be approximately \$500 per counselor for training.
 - SREB is seeking \$160,000 (\$10,000 per state) per year to launch the program for a two-year period. The cost will cover ongoing psychological first aid training, initial training for new counselors due to attrition, and recertification

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Discussion

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