



# 2020 School Based Mental Health Grant Outcomes

Year 3 Grant Highlights



## What is the goal?

To increase recruitment and retention of School Based Mental Health (SBMH) professionals (i.e. school counselors, school psychologists, and school social workers) in selected school divisions with demonstrated need in Virginia.



## Examples of grant activities include

- Monetary incentives for relocation
- Payments toward student loans
- Development of internship programs
- Financial incentives for professional development



## Professionals Retained

# 92.9%

339 total of Professionals retained out of 365

# of Professionals  
Hired **95**



## Reduction in ratio students to professionals

**36.7%**

Ratio Students to School Mental Health Professionals

Baseline ratio

# 274:1

Year 3 ratio

# 237:1

## WHY is it meaningful?

The reduction of students to SBMH professionals is critical in order to meet the increasing mental health needs of students.

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