

2024-2025 School Based Mental Health Grant Outcomes

Source: 2020-2025 SBMH Award





What is the goal?

To increase recruitment and retention of school mental health professionals (SMHPs) (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

95.4%

350 of 367 Professionals Retained

Professionals Hired 21

Reduction in Ratio of Students to Professionals

from baseline

Baseline ratio

274.9 students to 1 professional

Year 5 ratio

225.5 students to 1 professional

Due to increased hiring and retention of SMHPs, the ratio of students to SMHPs

WHY is it meaningful?

decreased. This allows students greater access to mental health supports and services.

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