



STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

Date: March 25, 2026
To: Local Educational Agency Leads
Route To: Administrators, School Counselors, School Social Workers, School Psychologists, Intervention and Referral Services (I&RS) Team Members
From: Kimberly A. Murray, Ed.D., Acting Assistant Commissioner
Division of Educational Services
Deadline: April 28, 2026

All Voices, One Vision: Partnering with Students, Families, and Communities for School Mental Health

The *Enhancing School Mental Health Services Project*, a collaboration between the New Jersey Department of Education and the Rutgers Center for Comprehensive School Mental Health, is hosting an in-person workshop to highlight the crucial role that families, students, and community partners play in developing effective and sustainable mental health systems.

Event Details:

- Date: Thursday, April 30, 2026
- Time: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Location: New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association (NJPSA), 12 Centre Drive, Monroe, New Jersey, 08831

This interactive workshop will equip participants with best-practice strategies to authentically engage families and students within a multi-tiered system of support (MTSS) framework. Attendees will also learn how to conduct a needs assessment and resource mapping process to identify existing mental health supports, uncover service gaps, and strengthen collaboration across school and community systems. Join us to learn how collective voices can create a shared vision for student well-being and success.

Registration

Please visit the visit the Rutgers Center for Comprehensive School Mental Health [website](#) to sign up for this in-person workshop.

Contact Information

For any questions, please contact the Rutgers Center for Comprehensive School Mental Health at ccsmh@shp.rutgers.edu.