

**RESOLUTION ON ESTABLISHING A DISTRICT-WIDE MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS DAY AT
CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

WHEREAS, mental health was identified as a district-wide priority issue by numerous Honorary Student Board Member applicants and in subsequent student-led roundtables; and

WHEREAS, the District is committed to supporting positive mental health outcomes for the entire Chicago Public Schools (CPS) community as aligned with the Whole School, Whole Child, Whole Community (WSCC) Framework, the CPS Healing-Centered Framework, and the CPS Whole School Safety Framework, all CPS strategic initiatives; and

WHEREAS, effective Board governance that authentically supports the District is anchored in student voice and engagement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Chicago Board of Education of the City of Chicago as follows:

1. The District will initiate a process by which it will identify the resources, logistics and considerations for establishing a Day of Mental Health Awareness at Chicago Public Schools for the 2026-2027 School Year.
2. The Day of Mental Health Awareness is an instructional day that includes optional programming, activities, and resources for schools to utilize and participate in across the District.
3. The District's process will be student-led and will be continuously informed by student feedback to ensure the Day of Mental Health Awareness centers student voice, experiences, and goals.
4. The District will issue a report to the Board on planning efforts, including the date established for a Day of Mental Health Awareness and the activities anticipated for such date, by the December 2026 Board Meeting.