

Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child (WSCC) Model

What is WSCC?

WSCC is an ecological approach that is directed at the **Whole School**, with the school in turn drawing resources and influence from the **Whole Community** serving to address the needs of the **Whole Child**. The WSCC model puts the child at the center, representing the idea that children and youth should be the focus of decision making; and, increases alignment and integration between health and education to improve each child's cognitive, physical, social, and emotional development.

WSCC CALL TO ACTION

The key to **ACTION** is collaborative development of **community, district level and local school policies, processes, and practices to improve health and learning.**



- The child in the center is at the focal point of the model; the child is encircled by the “whole child” tenets in green: “healthy, safe, engaged, supported, and challenged.”
- The white band emphasizes the alignment, integration, and collaboration needed among the school, health, and community sectors to improve each child’s learning and health.
- Represented in the blue, the multiple school components surround the child, acting as the hub that provides the full range of learning and health support systems to each child, in each school, in each community.
- The community, represented in yellow, demonstrates that while the school may be a hub, it remains a focal reflection of its community and requires community input, resources, and collaboration in order to support its students.

For more information, visit www.WSCC.health.ok.gov.

WSCC Components

Health Education

Formal, structured health education consists of any combination of planned learning experiences that provide the opportunity to acquire information and the skills students need to make quality health decisions.

Physical Education & Physical Activity

Schools can create an environment that offers many opportunities for students to be physically active throughout the school day.

Nutrition Environment & Services

Provides students with opportunities to learn about and practice healthy eating through available foods and beverages, nutrition education, and messages about food in the cafeteria and throughout the school.

Counseling, Psychological, & Social Services

The prevention and intervention services support the mental, behavioral, and social-emotional health of students and promote success in the learning process.

Health Services

School health services intervene with actual and potential health problems, including providing first aid, emergency care and assessment and planning for the management of chronic conditions.

Social & Emotional Climate

The psychological aspects of educational experiences can impact student engagement, relationships, and academic performance.

Physical Environment

A healthy and safe physical school environment, including the building and its contents, the land, and the area surrounding the school, protect occupants from physical threats and promotes learning in a healthy and safe environment.

Community Involvement

Community groups, organizations, and local businesses to create partnerships with schools, share resources, and volunteer to support student learning, development, and health-related activities.

Employee Wellness

Fostering school employees' physical and mental health protects school staff which helps to support students' health and academic success.

Family Engagement

Families and school staff work together to support and improve the learning, development, and health of students.