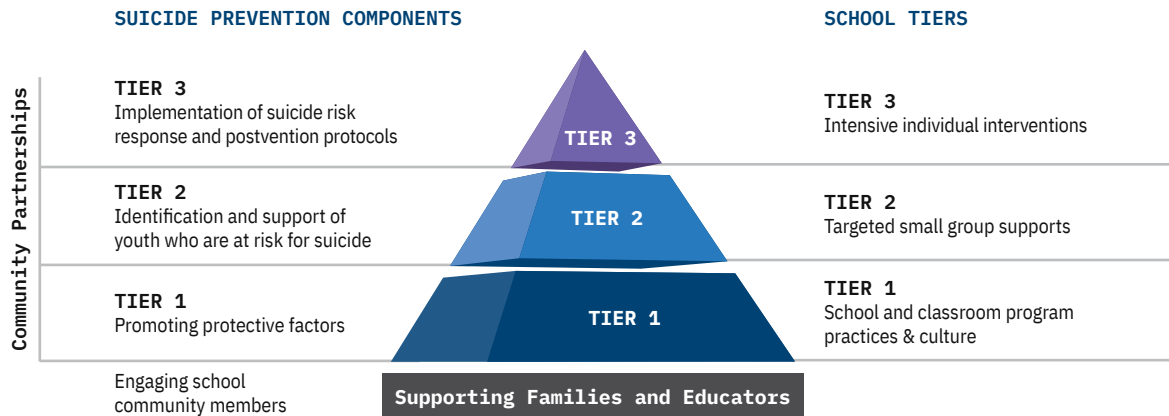


# Multi-Tiered Suicide Prevention for Schools

Multi-Tiered Suicide Prevention (MTSP) for Schools is your district’s guide to embedding suicide prevention into your multi-tiered systems of support.



EDC’s MTSP for Schools is an evidence-based framework that helps schools align effective, comprehensive suicide prevention strategies with existing multi-tiered systems of support. MTSP enables schools to invest in sustainable environmental changes for impactful suicide prevention.

Providing high-quality academic instruction in the same environment that promotes student wellbeing and prevents suicides is possible. We offer technical assistance schools can use to implement six evidence-based components of school suicide prevention:

- Engagement with school community members
- Development of community partnerships
- Written policies and protocols for helping students who are at risk for suicide
- Written policies and protocols for after a death by suicide
- Identification and support of students who are at risk for suicide
- Promotion of protective factors that minimize suicide risk

Education Development Center (EDC) has sixty-five years of experience collaborating with public and private partners to advance quality education, health equity, and suicide prevention. EDC Solutions makes our most effective initiatives directly accessible to mission-driven organizations, agencies, and professionals.

**Learn more about MTSP for schools:**

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# MTSP for Schools in Your District

## Single District Service

- Districts partner directly with EDC to develop 1-3 key components of MTSP for Schools over the course of 1 school year.

## Multi-District Service

- State departments, local education agencies, and nonprofits partner with EDC to bring multiple school districts together through a collaborative peer learning model that supports districts in developing all 6 key components of school suicide prevention over the course of two school years or more.

Through professional development and coaching, EDC supports districts in assessing their existing suicide prevention efforts, strategically planning for comprehensive suicide prevention, and implementing and improving evidence-based strategies to prevent student suicide.

### Districts participating in MTSP benefit from:

- Clearer understanding of their unique strengths, challenges, and areas for improvement
- Action plans with explicit goals, steps, and data tracking tailored to unique needs
- Personalized coaching from experts with experience in student wellness, mental health, and suicide prevention
- Access to a suite of regularly updated and evidence-based resources and materials
- Improvements in the school environment that support student wellbeing and suicide prevention

## MTSP Impact

EDC is currently working with large and small, urban and rural school districts across four states to implement MTSP for Schools. Data from past participants has shown substantial increases in school district capacity to fill gaps in suicide prevention best practices and prevent student suicide.



The most valuable part of this initiative was the comprehensive process. Being able to do an assessment of where you were, set goals and establish an action plan, having the assistive resources to carry out the action plan, and doing a post-assessment and sustainability plan was invaluable.

— Participant, Indiana School District

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