SMH Services Benefit...

Students:
- Improved attendance and GPA
- Increased rates of high school graduation
- Decreased suspension and expulsion
- Reduced involvement with the criminal justice system and out-of-home child welfare placements
- Enhanced support for at-risk students, including foster, probation, and new-immigrant youth
- Increased early detection of mental health issues, which increases early intervention and helps preempt more severe mental health needs later in life

Staff and Administration:
- Specialized training and support to address students’ mental health concerns
- Strengthened self-care strategies and techniques to improve classroom dynamics and reduce teacher burnout

School Climate:
- Connections fostered within the school environment, especially for at-risk students
- Targeted violence prevention, problem-solving, and empathy skill-building curricula for school communities
- Increased trauma-sensitivity within school communities, helping students to feel physically, socially, emotionally and academically safe
- Safe and healthy learning environments restored and maintained after critical incidents on or near school campuses

Families:
- Increased social-emotional competence among parents/guardians
- Expanded support to address barriers to learning
- Enhanced family function and interaction between parent/guardian and child
- Increased parent/guardian-child connection when home schooling
- Increased parent/guardian engagement and awareness of mental health