

formation of a wellness committee, health education activities, implementation of wellness policies, and a worksite wellness program.

VI. BOARD OPTIONS

N/A

VII. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

The 2012 Principal Wellness Policy Implementation Survey indicates that many schools are making progress on wellness goals despite diminishing resources. The survey captures best practices that can be replicated district-wide as well as innovative partnerships that advance wellness efforts. Staff recommends that district “wellness leaders” be recognized for their leadership in creating replicable practices and their comprehensive efforts to impact student achievement.

District staff agrees with the Wellness Advisory Committee’s recommendations to continue active senior leadership support to engage principals and regional administrators in raising awareness of wellness policy issues. Senior leadership is needed to move school-based implementation forward such as the inclusion of wellness goals in School Improvement Plans and accountability for compliance with district wellness directives. In addition, we support the recommendation to include Physical Education and Health TOSA positions in the 2013-14 budget to support teaching and learning in the critical areas of health and physical education. In addition, a District Wellness Policy Coordinator is needed to maintain and enhance wellness policy implementation that will lead to improved health and academic outcomes for PPS students.

VIII. TIMELINE FOR IMPLEMENTATION/EVALUATION

Board Policy 3.60.060-P and Administrative Directive 3.60.062-AD implementation is ongoing.