## PARTNERSHIPS FOR HEALTHY SCHOOLS



## **TO COMBAT CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM...**

Since School Year (SY) 2023-2024, the number of **MORE THAN** chronically absent students in San Diego County has decreased from 24.7%% to 20.1%, a 81,000 difference of over 19,000 students. SAN DIEGO COUNTY STUDENTS MISSED 10% OR MORE OF SCHOOL DAYS IN SY 2022-2023 **MIK' MIK' MIK' MI** ...DISTRICTS NEED STRONG WELLNESS POLICIES... WellSAT\* scores of district Wellness Policies show significant improvement over the past 10 years. 38 **DISTRICTS HAVE UPDATED THEIR** WELLNESS 50% POLICIES SINCE 87% **JANUARY 2017** Comprehensiveness Language Strength

\*The WellSAT 3.0 is a national assessment tool to identify where local school wellness policies are strong and where they could be improved to meet current requirements and best practices.

## ...SUPPORTED BY FUNDING.

- In 2023-2024, San Diego County school districts collectively spent **\$190 million** on Health and Wellness actions, a decrease of **48%** from the previous year.
- This number represents **8%** of the state funding provided, a decrease of **10%** over the previous year.
- Similarly, itemization of funding decreased by **46%** from the previous year **(52%** to **28%)** making district spending for Health and Wellness less transparent.

To learn more about your district's trends in these key areas, contact <u>Pam Smith</u> of Live Well Schools.

