

## PARTNERSHIPS FOR **HEALTHY SCHOOLS**



## TO COMBAT CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM...

**MORE THAN** 

81,000

SAN DIEGO COUNTY STUDENTS MISSED 10% OR MORE OF **SCHOOL DAYS IN** SY 2023-2024

Since School Year (SY) 2023-2024, the number of chronically absent students in San Diego County has decreased from 24.7% to 20.1%, a difference of over 19,000 students.



## ...DISTRICTS NEED STRONG WELLNESS POLICIES...

WellSAT\* scores of district Wellness Policies show significant improvement over the past 10 years.



Comprehensiveness



38 **DISTRICTS HAVE UPDATED THEIR WELLNESS POLICIES SINCE JANUARY 2017** 

\*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 Pam Smith of Live Well Schools.

