

**Mental Health Federal Funding Opportunities for High Schools**

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If your high school aims to implement comprehensive student mental health support systems, these federal grants may provide the financial support you need to realize your goals. Many of the federal funding opportunities listed below can be used to pay for [JED High School](#), a collaborative process of program and policy development that helps you build upon your existing student mental health offerings. Click the link in the last column for more details on each opportunity.

*Note: LEA stands for “local educational agency,” which refers to a public board of education or any other public authority legally given administrative control or direction of public elementary or secondary schools. SEA stands for “state educational agency,” which refers to state boards of education or any other agency or officer primarily responsible for a state’s supervision of public elementary or secondary schools.*

Funding opportunity name	Description/ purpose	Eligibility	Can it pay for JED High School?	Can funds go directly to individual high schools?	Fact sheet link
<a href="#">SAMHSA Project Aware —SEA</a>	Building the capacity of SEAs and state mental health agencies to address the mental health needs of school-age youth. Anticipated award amount of \$1.8 million per year per award.	SEAs and educational agencies serving federally recognized Indian tribes	Yes	No	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">GLS State/Tribal Youth Suicide Prevention</a>	Implementing early intervention suicide-prevention strategies in youth-focused institutions. Anticipated award amount of up to \$735,000 per year per award.	States, territories, Indian tribes/tribal organizations, public and nonprofit organizations	Yes	No	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">ESSA Title II</a>	Preparing, recruiting, and training high-quality teachers, principals, and other school leaders.	Any public, private, or tribally controlled institution of higher education	No	Yes	<a href="#">Link</a>



<a href="#">Education Innovation and Research (EIR)</a>	Implementing programs and learning models to promote educational equity and adequacy in resources and opportunity for underserved students, including students with disabilities.	LEAs, SEAs, Bureau of Indian Education, nonprofit organizations	Yes	No	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">TOP Grant Program</a>	Teacher preparation and training or school programs related to serving students' "social, emotional, and academic needs."	Partnerships among high-need LEAs, individual schools within those LEAs, and institutions that host teacher education programs	No	Yes, in partnership with an institution that provides teacher training	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">SAMHSA Project Aware</a>	Implementing in-school programming that supports students' mental health needs. Anticipated award amount of \$1.8 million per year per award.	States, counties, LEAs, Indian tribes/tribal organizations, health facilities, public and private nonprofits	Yes	No	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">Indian Health Services' Zero Suicide Initiative</a>	Implementing comprehensive, culturally informed, multi-setting approaches to suicide prevention in Native American health systems. Anticipated award amount of \$200,000 to \$300,000 per year per award.	Tribal governments, tribal organizations, or urban Indian organizations (UIOs)	Yes, but only if a tribal government or organization used the funds to pay for JED programming within its schools.	No	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">Mental Health Awareness Training (MHAT)</a>	Training school and first responder personnel in mental health literacy, and bolstering mental health referral infrastructure. Anticipated award amount of up to \$125,000 per year per award.	States, LEAs, local government units, federally recognized Indian tribes, community or faith-based organizations, public and private higher-education institutions	Yes	No	<a href="#">Link</a>



<a href="#">Demonstrating Effective Policies to Promote Black Youth Mental Health</a>	Promoting the dissemination of effective approaches for improving mental health outcomes for Black youth. Anticipated award amount of \$350,000 to \$400,000 per year per award.	State and local governments, LEAs, tribal organizations, higher-education institutions, public or nonprofit organizations	No (only the policy-change aspects of JED High School)	No	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">Expansion of Comprehensive Suicide Prevention Across the U.S.</a>	Implementing and evaluating comprehensive public health approaches to suicide prevention in the U.S. Anticipated award amount of \$600,000 to \$1 million per year per award.	State, county, or local governments; LEAs; public or private higher-education institutions; small businesses; 501(c)(3) nonprofits; public housing authorities	Yes	No	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">Service-Ready Tools for Identification, Prevention, and Treatment of Individuals at Risk for Suicide</a>	Supporting pilot effectiveness projects to evaluate the preliminary effectiveness of service-ready tools and technologies for suicide prevention. Anticipated award amount of \$225,000 per year per award.	State, county, or local governments; LEAs; public or private higher-education institutions; small businesses; 501(c)(3) nonprofits; public housing authorities	No (could fund a research project on the effectiveness of JED programs, but not JED programming itself)	No	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">Suicide Prevention, Intervention, and Postvention (SPIP)</a>	Reducing suicide prevalence among American Indian and Alaska Native populations. Anticipated award amount of \$200,000 to \$300,000 per year per award.	Native American tribal governments, organizations, or urban Indian organizations	Yes, but only if a tribal government or organization used the funds to pay for JED programming within its schools	No	<a href="#">Link</a>



<a href="#">Rural Northern Border Region Healthcare Support Program</a>	Providing technical assistance to rural communities in the northern border region of the East Coast in their efforts to enhance access to health, including mental health. Anticipated award amount of \$1.8 million per award.	State and local governments, LEAs, higher-education institutions, tribal organizations, public or private nonprofit and for-profit organizations	Yes	No	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">SAMHSA Healthy Transitions (HT)</a>	Improving access to mental health treatment for people ages 16 to 25 with serious mental illness. Anticipated award amount of up to \$1 million per year per award.	State, tribal, or territorial agencies responsible for the delivery of mental health services to people ages 16 to 25 with serious mental illness	No (only if a state, tribal, or territorial agency partnered with a high school and allocated part of its funds toward the school's implementation of JED High School)	No	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">ESSA Title IV-A</a>	Improving access to well-rounded education for school-age students and supporting student safety.	SEAs and educational agencies serving federally recognized Indian tribes	Yes	No	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">Cooperative Agreements for School-Based Trauma-Informed Support Services and Mental Health Care for Children and Youth</a>	Increasing student access to evidence-based and culturally relevant trauma support services and mental health care. Anticipated award amount of up to \$970,000 per year per award.	SEAs, LEAs, or Indian tribes	Yes	No	<a href="#">Link</a>



<a href="#">Project Prevent</a>	Increasing LEAs' capacity to identify, assess, and serve students exposed to pervasive violence. Anticipated award amount of \$250,000 to \$1 million per year per award.	LEAs	Yes	No	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">Native Youth Community Projects (NYCP)</a>	Preparing American Indian and Alaska Native youth for college and career success. Anticipated award amount of \$400,000 to \$500,000 per award.	Tribal governments and organizations, SEAs, LEAs	Yes, but only if implemented in a high school within a tribal educational agency	No	<a href="#">Link</a>
<a href="#">SAMHSA Native Connections</a>	Reducing suicidal behavior and substance use in American Indian and Alaska Native youth up to 24 years old. Anticipated award amount of \$250,000 per year per award.	Tribal governments, tribal organizations, or urban Indian organizations	Yes, but only if a tribal government or organization used the funds to pay for JED programming within its schools	No	<a href="#">Link</a>