

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 57th Legislature (2019)

3 SENATE BILL 446

By: Haste

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to schools; directing the State  
8 Department of Education and the Department of Mental  
9 Health and Substance Abuse Services, in certain  
10 consultation, to develop and make available to school  
11 districts certain information, training and resources  
12 regarding the mental health needs of students;  
13 requiring certain information to be included;  
14 providing for codification; providing an effective  
15 date; and declaring an emergency.

16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

17 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified  
18 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 6-194.3 of Title 70, unless  
19 there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

20 A. The State Department of Education and the Department of  
21 Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, in consultation with  
22 school district superintendents and school district boards of  
23 education, shall develop and make available to school districts  
24 information, training and resources to help school employees  
25 recognize and address the mental health needs of students.

1 B. The information made available to school districts shall  
2 include but not be limited to:

3 1. Information about the services provided by community-based  
4 organizations related to mental health, substance abuse and trauma;

5 2. Information about the impact trauma and adverse childhood  
6 experiences can have on a student's ability to learn; and

7 3. The availability of mental health evaluation and treatment  
8 available by telemedicine.

9 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective July 1, 2019.

10 SECTION 3. It being immediately necessary for the preservation  
11 of the public peace, health or safety, an emergency is hereby  
12 declared to exist, by reason whereof this act shall take effect and  
13 be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

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