From the Center for MH in Schools & Student/Learning Supports at UCLA

Hurricanes are only the latest example of why schools need a good system of student/learning supports.\*

## What you can do right now to encourage improving student/learning supports

Stakeholders concerned with improving how schools address barriers to learning and teaching frequently ask our Center for ways they can help move things forward.

Here are a few immediate and relatively easy actions to take:

1. Send members of Boards of Education the following policy exemplar:

A Policy Statement Prototype <a href="http://smhp.psych.ucla.edu/pdfdocs/policyproto2012.pdf">http://smhp.psych.ucla.edu/pdfdocs/policyproto2012.pdf</a>

(2) Send legislators the following:

A Legislation Prototype: http://smhp.psych.ucla.edu/pdfdocs/draftbill.pdf

3. Share the following brief guide to encourage discussion of new directions for student/learning supports at state education agencies, district offices, and schools:

Student/Learning Supports: A Brief Guide for Moving in New Directions http://smhp.psych.ucla.edu/pdfdocs/briefguide.pdf

For other introductory resources, see the Sections A & B of the Center's

System Change Toolkit <a href="http://smhp.psych.ucla.edu/summit2002/resourceaids.htm">http://smhp.psych.ucla.edu/summit2002/resourceaids.htm</a>

Thanks for all you do to improve equity of opportunity for all students to succeed at school and beyond.

\*Schools affected by Hurricane Ian will be dealing with the aftermath for some time. See <a href="http://smhp.psych.ucla.edu/crisisresp.htm">http://smhp.psych.ucla.edu/crisisresp.htm</a> for links to specific resources.

