Has use of the term "Mental Health" in the context of schools become a bad thing?

We received the following response to our commentary *Concerned About Mental Health in Schools?*
https://smhp.psych.ucla.edu/pdfdocs/4-17-25x.pdf

As you will see, the response suggests that use of the term Mental Health in the context of schools no longer is wise.

> "Love your passion, but remember your results will be dictated by the acceptance of your solutions.
> As soon as you use the term "Mental Health in Schools", you've lost in my mind.
> I don't disagree but that immediately alienates Parents, Administration, and it's a no-win political topic, probably for reflective reasons but does it matter?
> Children go to School and a lot of other places, Mental Health is in them. I would also maybe challenge that term as
> too large a bucket, lacking the resolution we truly need for permanent solutions. In fact I would hypothesize that most
> "Students" need a different approach, they don't truly have "Mental Health Issues", they have understanding issues
> as do most of us. I was taught the 3R process from my Father: Recognize, Report and Remedy.
> I think we may recognize and even report those with "defined" mental health issues, but the remedy part still needs
> some attention. The truth is we are all broken in some form, that is the design. We can and will address this.
> Ignorance has been, is and will always be our greatest enemy, don't treat the symptom, treat the root cause.
> I'm very appreciative of your efforts! "

What's your view about this? Send your comments to Ltaylor@ucla.edu

Note: Our national Center initially was named the Center for Mental Health in Schools.

Then, we expanded the name to the Center for MH in Schools & Student/Learning Supports to emphasize the reality that mental health is only one aspect of a school's focus on supporting students (and staff) and facilitating positive development.

Looking forward to hearing from you!

Best wishes and be well,

Howard & Linda