

Magellan supports calming kit initiative for elementary and intermediate students in the Wilson Area School District

In September, Magellan Behavioral Health of Pennsylvania and the Wilson Area Partners in Education Foundation (WAPEF) collaborated on a new initiative to provide calming kits to elementary and intermediate students within the Wilson Area School District in Northampton County. These calming kits included fun games and helpful tools for the children to manage their stress at school.

WAPEF identified 80 children in kindergarten through eighth grade with heightened levels of anxiety that could use some additional assistance throughout their school day. On September 26 and 27, these children received the calming kits filled with helpful resources.

“We’re grateful to collaborate with Magellan as part of our 2022 Mental Health Initiative,” said Kimberly Hopkins, executive director of the Wilson Area Partners in Education Foundation. “With the unfortunate increase in students experiencing anxiety, it’s important to provide tools that will help them navigate stressful moments in school and, hopefully, in life.”

“The start of the school year offered an important opportunity to positively impact a child’s mental health, and we were pleased to offer our support for this school-based initiative to benefit many children and their families in the Wilson Area School District,” said Tom Walker, senior account executive for Magellan Behavioral Health of Pennsylvania.

As well as providing financial assistance, Magellan employees also teamed up with WAPEF representatives and school district administrators on September 26 where they all helped to assemble the calming kits. To see these stories and the full story from the WAPEF website, go [here](#).