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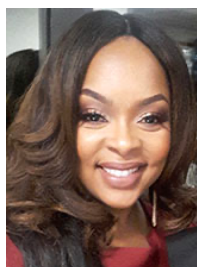
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Our Student Support Services Project Team featuring...



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National School Nurse Day

Wednesday, May 12, 2021

Championing the Whole Student

The National Association of School Nurse's School Nurse Day [toolkit](#) can be used in schools and communities to help spread the word about School Nurse Day. The toolkit includes social media posts, images and information to help celebrate the contributions from school nurses.

May is Mental Health Awareness Month

Mental Health Awareness Month was established to raise awareness of trauma and the impact it can have on the physical, emotional and mental well-being of children, families and communities. For more information, resources and to download the 2021 Awareness Event Guide, visit the [National Alliance on Mental Illness](#).

MAY IS THE TIME TO...

- ♦ Send notices for immunizations needed for the next school year
- ♦ Follow school procedure for preparing the office for summer cleaning, purge/advance files
- ♦ Send a notice home regarding policy and procedure for medication pick up at the end of school year
- ♦ Send equipment for calibration if needed
- ♦ Organize health records and files for the following school year
- ♦ Summarize and submit data for Annual School Health Services Report as required in your district

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

[NASN](#) 2021 Virtual Conference, June 21-25.

[ASHA](#) 2021 Virtual Annual School Health Conference; July 19-21.



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