



Health Care Centers In Schools

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“Health Care Centers in Schools are an invaluable resource for our students and families. The clinics’ staff positively impacts student health and academic achievement.”

Stacey Dupre
Chief Officer of Support & Special Projects
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About Health Care Centers in Schools

Mission

Inspired by the vision of St. Francis of Assisi and the tradition of the Roman Catholic Church, we extend the healing ministry of Jesus Christ to God’s people, especially those most in need. We call forth all who serve in this healthcare ministry, to share their gifts and talents to create a Spirit of Healing – reverence and love for all of life, with joyfulness of spirit, and with humility and justice for all those entrusted to our care. We are, with God’s help, a healing and spiritual presence for each other and for the communities we are privileged to serve.

Vision

Every child will have the opportunity to learn, grow and be successful in a healthy and caring environment.

Purpose

As an entry point to physical, mental and behavioral health, Health Care Centers in Schools provides high quality, collaborative care for all students and families, regardless of socio-economic background.

School Based Health Clinic Visits School Year 2025

Caring for More Students in 2025

Fiscal Year	Total Visits	Medical Visits	Behavioral Health
7/1/22 - 6/30/23	9,527	5,326	4,201
7/1/23 - 6/30/24	11,521	6,436	5,085
7/1/24 - 6/30/25	12,016	6,836	5,180

Success Highlights

This year brought growth, new partnerships and more ways to serve our community.



Mobile Health Unit in Motion – Our fully operational Mobile Health Unit is bringing care directly to those who need it most.



New Partnerships – We joined forces with the Gardere Initiative and Baton Rouge Housing Authority to expand outreach and resources.



New Clinic – We opened our Scotlandville High School clinic, increasing access to care for students.



Outstanding Outreach – Health Educator **Adrian Brumfield** continues to make a lasting impact in East Baton Rouge Parish and beyond. Adrian is known for his engaging, relatable education on topics like asthma, vaping, puberty and hygiene for boys, nutrition, stress and anxiety, playground safety, and 5210+10. He partners with behavioral health providers for group education and is in demand for his expertise.



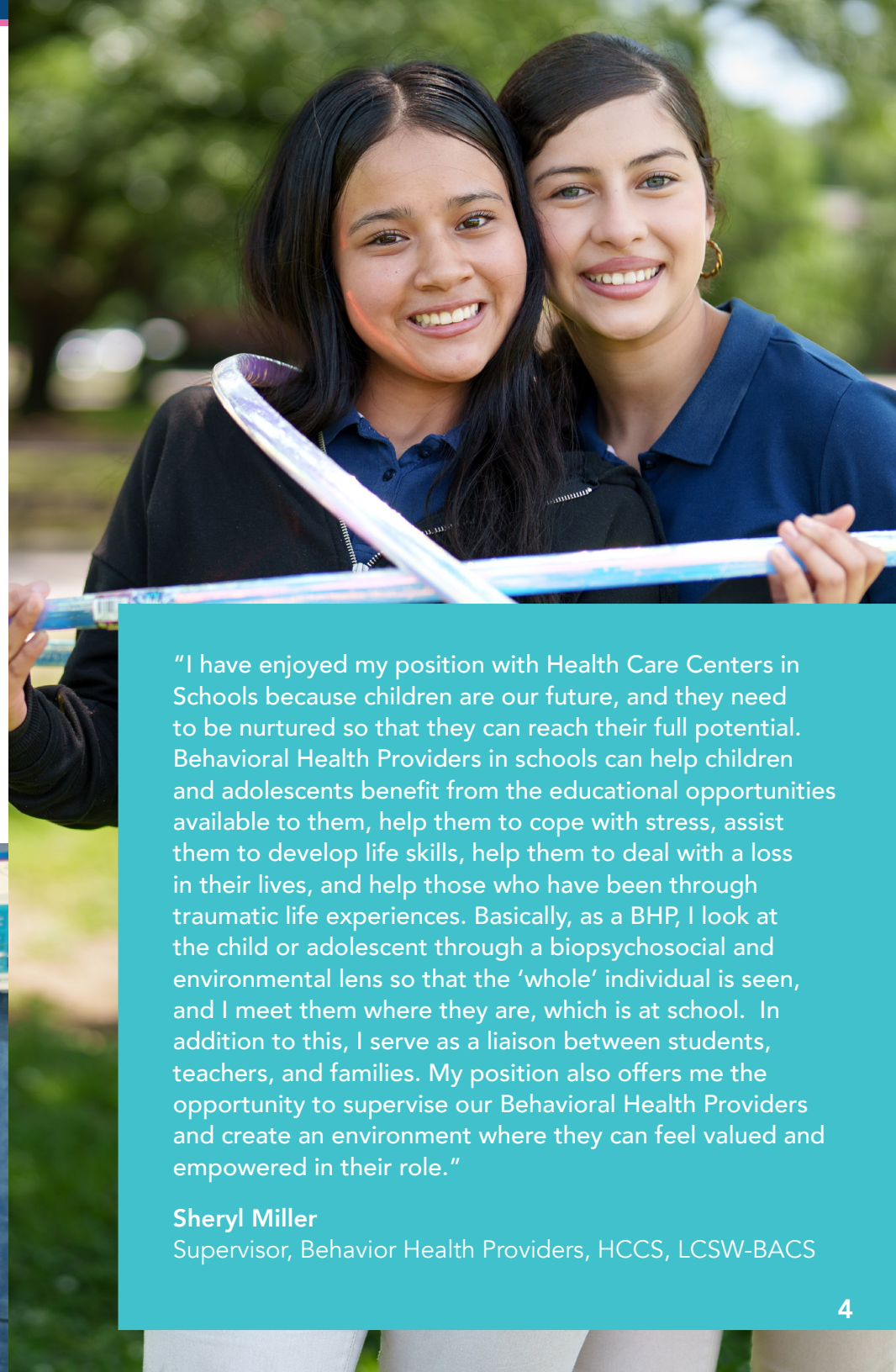
Community Connections – We collaborate with community pastors, Project ECHO, Girls on the Run, Our Lady of the Lake Children’s Health Weight & Nutrition Center, Our Lady of the Lake Children’s Health Asthma Camp leader, Special Olympics, EBR Public Schools’ I Care program and more.

"The Mobile Health Unit (MHU) extends the mission of FMOLHS to those who are most vulnerable in our community. While our excellent clinics throughout the capital area also do this, the MHU provides accessibility to those who would otherwise slip through the cracks of the healthcare system. We are able to treat Baton Rouge's children where they spend the most time: their neighborhoods and their schools. Language barriers, transportation limitations and health disparities do not stop our mission; rather, they are the "why" behind our mission. One of the most important parts of my job is to connect these children with appropriate resources and referrals. I have cared for multiple children who have poor vision or are in need of dental care but have not been able to procure these services. We are able to connect them with community resources who either accept Medicaid or provide sliding-scale payments based on income. Our MHU is so much more than sports physicals and strep throat treatment (although we are happy to take care of those things as well). We are a lifeline to communities that have no other, and we are proud to serve our city."

Rebekah Rayner, NP

Nurse Practitioner

Mobile Health Unit, HCCS



"I have enjoyed my position with Health Care Centers in Schools because children are our future, and they need to be nurtured so that they can reach their full potential. Behavioral Health Providers in schools can help children and adolescents benefit from the educational opportunities available to them, help them to cope with stress, assist them to develop life skills, help them to deal with a loss in their lives, and help those who have been through traumatic life experiences. Basically, as a BHP, I look at the child or adolescent through a biopsychosocial and environmental lens so that the 'whole' individual is seen, and I meet them where they are, which is at school. In addition to this, I serve as a liaison between students, teachers, and families. My position also offers me the opportunity to supervise our Behavioral Health Providers and create an environment where they can feel valued and empowered in their role."

Sheryl Miller

Supervisor, Behavior Health Providers, HCCS, LCSW-BACS



Back on the Road, Expanding Access

The return of the Mobile Health Unit marks a powerful step forward in our mission to bring care directly to the children who need it most. More than a vehicle, the MHU is a bridge—connecting students and families to essential services when barriers like transportation, language or cost stand in the way.

From school parking lots to neighborhood stops, the Mobile Health Unit allows us to meet students where they are. Whether it's a routine physical or a referral for vision, dental or behavioral health services, we're providing more than treatment. We're offering connection, continuity and compassion.

This work is made possible by a dedicated team committed to equity and access. Their care helps ensure no child falls through the cracks. We're proud to be back on the road, building trust, restoring access and expanding what's possible for student health in Baton Rouge.

Emily Stevens, MBA, MSW, LCSW-BACS, FACHE
Senior Director, Operations
Our Lady of the Lake Children's Health



Resilience in Action

R., a recent graduate with honors Broadmoor High School enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps in March 2025 and has his eyes set on his future. He also received a large scholarship to a Louisiana university of his choice. R. plans to attend Louisiana State University following basic training to study entrepreneurship.

We are extremely proud of R.'s success. He has overcome significant adversity. About a year and a half ago, he was referred into the care of a social worker at our clinic after transferring to Broadmoor Senior High School. He changed schools because both his older and younger brothers died in unexpected and violent deaths due to gun violence in January and February 2024.

From our practitioners, R. received the care and guidance he needed to succeed in high school. Our social worker was able to support this family and provide the tools needed to help their son experience success in an objectively difficult situation, despite their collective grief. Our social worker was able to help R. communicate with school personnel so that he could form bonds that would serve him and enable him to express himself in constructive ways. We are extremely proud of the young man he has become and look forward to the powerful ways in which he will change the world.

"For years we saw children needing medical care and the emergency room was our only option. I recall the day that 23 parents showed up at our office with 29 children because they thought that a doctor was going to be available. This was the beginning of a partnership that has provided care to the most vulnerable. To have regularly scheduled care available and accessible in our community is far more than I could have ever expected."

Dr. Murelle Harrison
Executive Director
Gardere Initiative



A Safe Space and a Fresh Start

In October 2024, a 17-year-old student visited the Istrouma High School Health Care Centers in Schools clinic for the first time. Navigating the challenges of being a ninth grader at his age, he carried a history of ADHD, low self-esteem and social insecurities. He shared with the school social worker that he had been bullied in middle school, experiences that continued into high school, made worse by encountering some of the same peers who had targeted him before.

The team quickly became a trusted support system. The social worker provided a safe space where the student could express himself freely while learning coping strategies to manage stress, build confidence, and improve his overall well-being. His concerns extended beyond mental health. He was often ridiculed for his appearance, particularly his hygiene and unkempt hair. With compassion and consistency, the clinic addressed his physical, emotional and behavioral health needs.

During the holiday season, the clinic team and several community partners came together to support the student in a meaningful way. They “adopted” him through a donation drive, providing items like tennis shoes, school uniforms, socks, a personalized cup and a gift card for food.

In early 2025, the clinic’s health educator, **Adrian Brumfield**, met with the student for a one-on-one hygiene session. A genuine connection was made. With help from Adrian’s community network, the student received a care package filled with essentials: tennis shoes, martial arts gloves, hygiene products, a cell phone and more. Adrian even coordinated a gym visit, giving the student a chance to exercise and feel empowered in a new environment.

While he continues to work through his insecurities, the student has made remarkable progress. He noticed a change in how peers treated him, receiving compliments for the first time in a long while. On one visit to the clinic, he expressed his gratitude with emotion: “Thank you, thank you, thank you,” he said. “I don’t know what to say — I wish I could do something for y’all.”



Letter from Our Medical Director

It is with great excitement and gratitude that I share an important development in the care we will be able to provide through our school-based health clinics.

Thanks to the generous support and shared vision of the Joe Burrow Foundation and Nationwide Children's Hospital, we are expanding our services to include a robust Collaborative Care Mental Health Model. This means that students will now have greater access to timely, evidence-based mental health support, integrated directly into the care they receive at the school-based health center.

Under this model, our primary care providers, behavioral health specialists, and psychiatric consultants work together as a team. This approach allows us to screen for mental health concerns early, deliver effective interventions on site, and tailor support to each student's individual needs. When more specialized care is needed, we are able to coordinate with external mental health resources to ensure continuity and quality.

Our goal is to reduce the barriers that so often prevent young people from receiving the mental health support they deserve. By embedding care within the school environment—where students already feel safe and supported—we are better equipped to respond early, build resilience, and foster a culture of wellness.

The Joe Burrow Foundation's commitment to mental health and Nationwide Children's leadership in pediatric behavioral health make this initiative possible, and their investment will make a lasting impact on students, families and the broader school community.

As the Medical Director of these clinics, I am proud of the work our team is doing and confident in the difference this model will make. We are grateful for your trust and partnership as we work together to support the whole health of every child we serve.

Dr. Sylvia Montalvo Sutton
Medical Director, HCCS

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