Equity for all students to achieve their full potential

Partnership with the Arizona Department of Education

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Multi-Tiered Systems of Support: Prevention Focused

1. Safe, supportive and consistent environments
2. Targeted supports
3. Intensive individualized supports
ADE - Education Health Partners

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• Goal is to hire 60 new nurses to serve rural and underserved schools

• Includes supports for new nurses to include training, mentoring and funding for health office or other needs

• Robust evaluation plan, plan for developing pipeline of nurses, Advisory Council, and other strategies for sustainability and growth

• Continued professional development and supports for existing nurses
• 113 candidate schools
• within 77 LEAs
• located in all counties
• 50% with less than 200 enrollment
Next Steps

• Connect licensed personnel and personnel involved in outreach with training

• Provide guidance to help districts/schools discern if this is a good option for them, including cost-benefit analysis

• Highlight designs that are working in places around Arizona, including school consortia and school-linked health centers
THANK YOU!