

Office of the Superintendent of Schools
MONTGOMERY COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Rockville, Maryland

June 1, 2023

MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Board of Education
From: Monifa B. McKnight, Superintendent of Schools
Subject: Public Comments Discussion (03-28-2023-01-B)

Question

During the *Public Comments* discussion, Board members requested the following information:

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Ms. Wolff requested that staff look at the pamphlet shown during Ms. Sinha's testimony and develop ways to assist with its dissemination.

Response

Staff in the Division of Psychological Services will schedule a meeting with Ms. Sinha to review her pamphlet and discuss her suggestions regarding the mental health needs of Asian students. An email has been sent to the principal and resource counselor at Montgomery Blair High School to contact Ms. Sinha. The pamphlet will be reviewed, and the Division of Psychological Services will develop strategies on how to distribute it to students in high schools across the district. Dissemination strategies may include, but are not limited to, forwarding a memorandum to high school principals to communicate the information to students, working with the *Our Minds Matter* clubs to promote the information and distribute the pamphlet to students, providing the pamphlet to high school students via Canvas, along with other means.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Damon A. Monteleone, associate superintendent of well-being, learning, and achievement, Office of School Support and Well-Being, via email.

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