

What is the Intense Student Support Network (ISSN)?

• The ISSN provides tools for staff to effectively nurture and support students whose non-academic needs may create obstacles to high achievement.

Why is ISSN necessary?

- Nearly 40% of area families qualify for free and reduced meals.
- Students whose basic needs have not been met may not be ready to learn when they enter the classroom.

How does the ISSN help?

- Offers immediate resolution to a barrier to learning
- Improves student achievement
- · Relieves stress on staff

How does the ISSN work?

- A school social worker, teacher or administrator identifies a student's need and completes a form to describe the need and urgency level.
- The district Partner In Education Coordinator monitors and works to fulfill requests via a human service agency, community business, independent donor or directly from funds raised specifically to support the ISSN.

What would my donation support?

- In the 2019-2020 school year, \$21,073 was donated to the ISSN to support students in need.
- Needs fulfilled included: school supplies, winter wear, shoes, clothing, bunk beds, band fees, food service assistance, grocery store gift cards, BATA passes, school photos, water bottles, snacks, toiletries, noise-canceling headphones, and more.

How do I make a monetary donation?

- Visit <u>www.tcaps.net/donate</u> or click on the red donate button on the home page of any TCAPS school's website.
- Complete the form. In the program description section, designate "ISSN" or any other program of your choosing.
- To make an online donation by credit card, you will be taken to PayPal once you hit submit on your donation form. Follow the PayPal instructions.
- To donate by check, make payable to TCAPS, write "ISSN donation" in the memo line on your check, and mail to: TCAPS, Attn: Karyn Hertel, 412 Webster St., Traverse City 49686.