

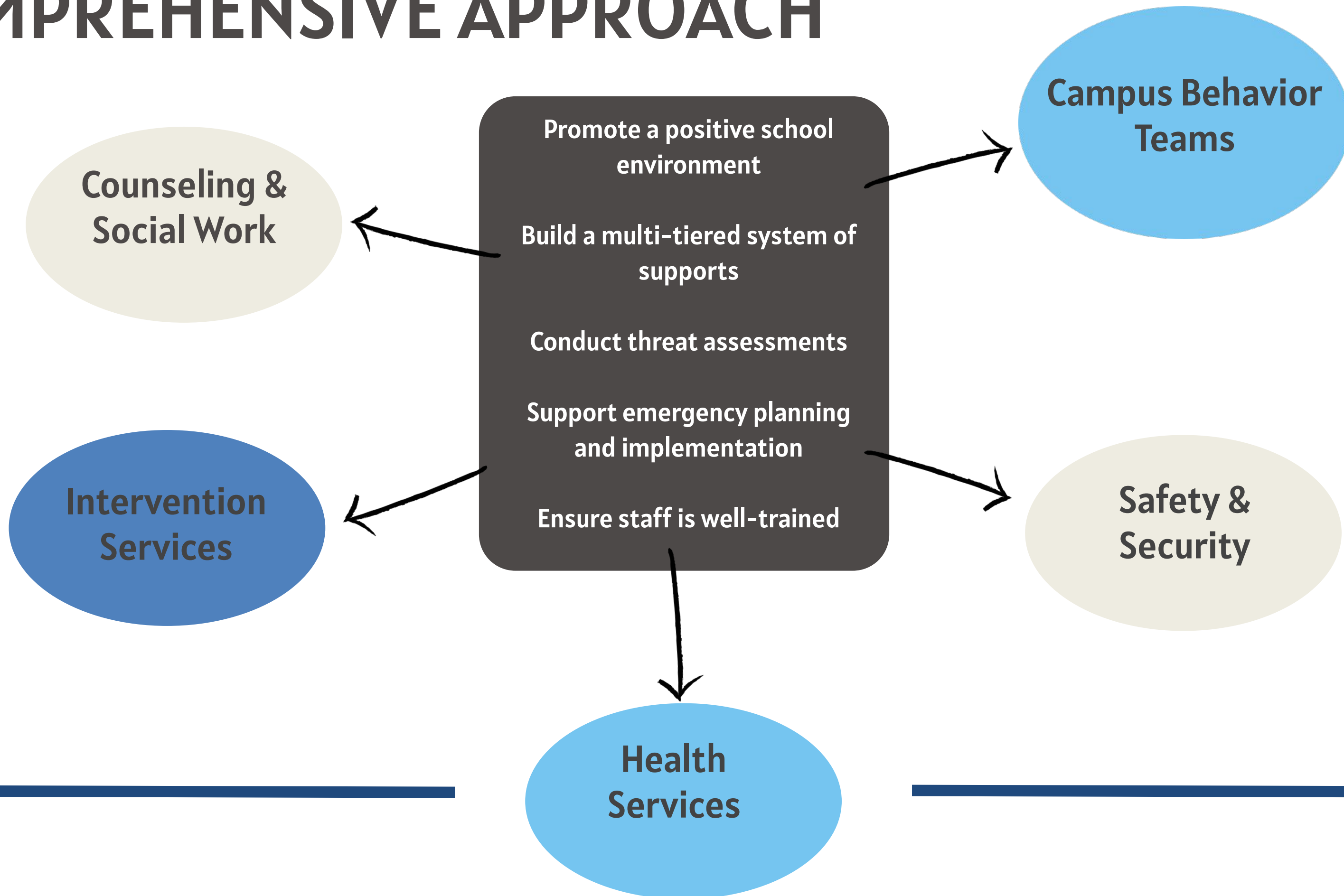
SAFE AND SUPPORTIVE SCHOOL PROGRAM (SSSP)

Denton ISD

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COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH



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Each campus has a
Building Emergency
Response Team (BERT)
comprised of at least
one administrator, one
counselor, and the SSO
or SRO.



COUNSELING & SOCIAL WORK

A comprehensive school counseling program is essential to fostering a positive school environment, enhancing overall student well-being, and facilitating student academic success.

Staffing

Elementary - One Professional School (PS) Counselor

Middle School - Two PS Counselors, One IMPACT Counselor

High School - Five or Six PS Counselors, One or Two IMPACT Counselors, One Social Worker



INTERVENTION SERVICES

Through Denton ISD's multi-tiered system of supports (DMTSS) framework, students receive early intervention to remediate academic, behavioral, and/or social and emotional concerns.

Each campus has a DMTSS Problem Solving Team that implements and monitors the MTSS process on their campus.

Supports in the DMTSS framework flow from universal, to targeted, to intensive. Interventions are research-based and when implemented with fidelity, they have meaningful effects on student outcomes. MTSS involves universal intervention for all, targeted intervention for some, and intensive intervention for a small number of students.



HEALTH SERVICES



HEALTH & WELLNESS

School nursing and student health support
Vision, hearing and other preventive screenings
Chronic condition health management



SAFETY & SUPPORT

Emergency preparedness and Heart Safe Schools
Infection prevention and health education
Workers' comp and student accident insurance



STUDENT AND EMPLOYEE WELL-BEING

Employee wellness initiatives
Family and community partnerships
Connection to resources that remove barriers to learning

Supporting the conditions for every student to be safe, healthy, and ready to learn.



SAFETY & SECURITY

- **Promote Integration and Collaboration:** Strengthen the integration of School Security Officers (SSOs), School Resource Officers (SROs), and campus personnel to ensure security practices align with district policies, city protocols, and professional training standards.
- **Coordinate Law Enforcement Support:** Collaborate with campus leadership and municipal law enforcement agencies to coordinate resources and provide law enforcement support when necessary.
- **Training:** Develop, coordinate, and deliver training for campuses to enhance preparedness and compliance with district safety procedures. Work with campus personnel to strengthen safety culture.
- **Emergency Operations:** Review and audit district and campus Emergency Operations Plans (EOPs) to verify compliance with applicable state requirements, district policies and established best practices, with the goal of exceeding required safety standards. Additionally, monitor, coordinate and facilitate campus and district responses to emergency situations, ensuring effective communication, coordination, and adherence to established emergency protocols.
- **Security Audits:** Evaluate campus buildings to identify vulnerabilities and recommend improvements to enhance the safety and students, staff, and visitors.
- **Manage School Safety and Technology:** Oversee the implementation, maintenance, and effective use of school safety and security hardware and software including door access, radios, Sentinel, and STOPit and other district-approved systems to support reliable communication, incident reporting, threat assessments, and emergency response.



STOPit

STOPit works with Denton ISD to help protect the physical, social,
and emotional well-being of staff and students.

Bullying

Threats of Violence

Depression

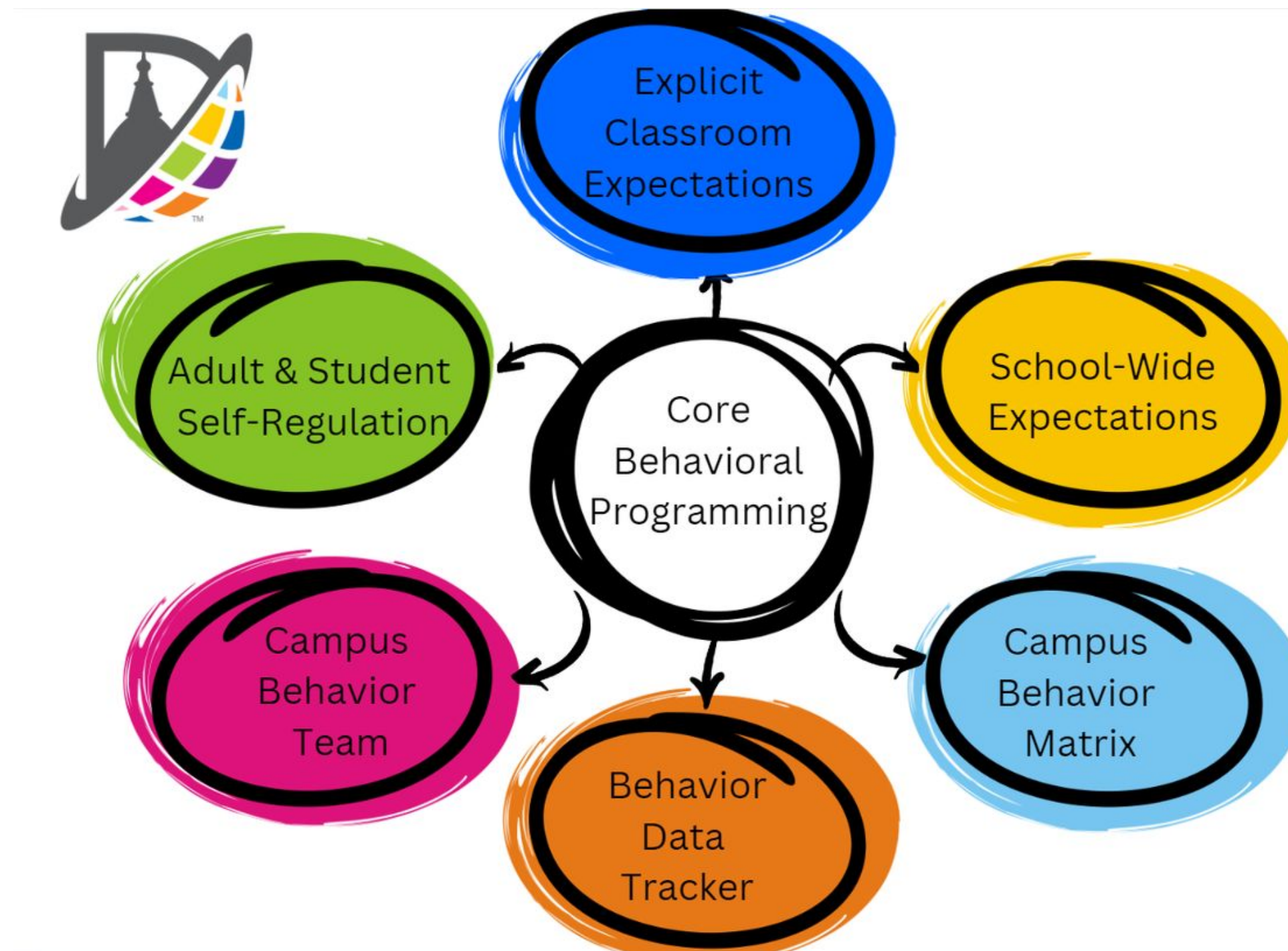
Social Isolation

Lack of Basic Needs



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CORE BEHAVIORAL FRAMEWORK



Questions?

