



## #HearNowON 2021 Outreach Package

### Background on #HearNowON

In 2021, School Mental Health Ontario partnered with Wisdom2Action (W2A) to relaunch #HearNowON for 2021 to gather input from secondary school students across Ontario about their priorities for mental health learning and programming in their school communities.

Three overarching questions were used to inform this initiative:

- What insights and ideas do secondary school students have for building and sustaining mental health knowledge and supports with and amongst their peers?
- How can school communities adopt an equity-based approach to mental health to support students impacted by racism, marginalization and/or oppression?
- What can inspire secondary students to get involved in provincial, board, and school-level initiatives that support student mental health and wellness?

The input from students through #HearNowON will inform provincial directions in school mental health, leaning into authentic and meaningful student engagement, leadership and agency in an area within which students have much to contribute.

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School Mental Health Ontario gathered this information with the purpose of informing their strategic direction. We understand the value of centering student voice and perspectives. #HearNowON offered an avenue to connect directly with students on the ground and hear from them.

## Draft newsletter

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The full report and executive summary is officially live and can be located on their [website](#). In addition to the full report, you have access to a short video, and social media shareables to use the data in your board and with your student groups as well.

## Draft social media tweets

<b>Tweets</b>	<b>Takeaway</b>
School Mental Health Ontario partnered with Wisdom2Action (W2A) relaunched #HearNowON to hear from secondary school students across Ontario about their priorities for mental health learning and programming in their schools. Read full report for more information on what students shared	<a href="#">full report</a>
Want to hear about what secondary school students across Ontario shared about school mental health? Read the full #HearNowON report from @Smhon and @W2A	<a href="#">full report</a>
#HearNowON a student voice initiative from @SMH-ON and @W2A is out now. Read the full report on their website	<a href="#">full report</a>
Did you know? Here are some facts shared from secondary school students across Ontario in the #HearNowON initiative	<a href="#">Did you know facts</a>

## **Social media shareables**

['Did you know' shareables](#)

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