Many children struggle in school due to mental health issues arising from stress, challenging family dynamics, past trauma, or other related coping issues. DanielKids works with United Way Full Service Schools (FSS) to help these children learn to overcome these issues and improve academic performance through free mental health therapeutic services.

DanielKids has teamed up with DCPS to provide an FSS mental health therapist to assist students who are struggling at school. This includes identify the underlying causes of their symptoms and behaviors, developing individual treatment plans designed to promote the use of positive coping skills, healthy communication skills and improve social and interpersonal behaviors.

Students, parents, and school personnel can request for a referral to the FSS Therapeutic Services by contacting your Assistant Principal or School Counselor. The FSS Social Worker and/or FSS Therapist will contact the parent for consent and to schedule the intake and the service will be provided for 6 months.

**Who We Help:** Whether you are a parent or teacher who knows a student you think may benefit from our professional help, please review the basic eligibility requirements below, then contact us for more information.

**Eligible children must:**
- Be a K through 12 student
- Attend a Duval County K-12 school.
- Be experiencing social, mental and/or behavioral issues that are interfering with their academic performance or interpersonal behaviors

**How will COVID affect therapy:** There are some students who will be enrolled in virtual learning while others will be attending the school in person due to Covid-19. DanielKids is aware of these changes and will give the option to provide therapeutic services in person to students who attend the school and telehealth services for students who will be working from home. This can be addressed during the scheduling process to determine what works for you and your student.

**Contact:** To find out more about these services, please contact you Assistant Principal, School Counselor or FSS Mental Health Therapist assigned to your child’s school.