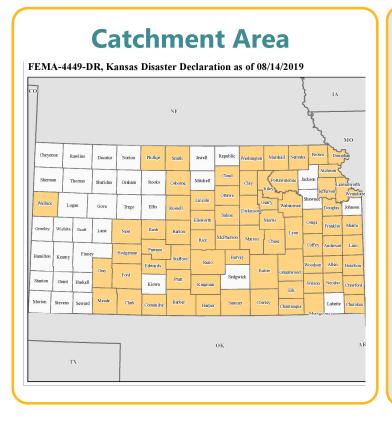
## Kansas Behavioral Health Integration into Schools (BHIS) Program

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The Kansas Behavioral Health Integration into Schools (BHIS) program will focus on improving the mental health of children and adolescents affected by tornados and flooding in 2019. These weather events created damage in 70 of 105 counties, most of which exist in rural or frontier areas. The project aims to increase access to school-based behavioral health services through this catchment area, elevating existing programming through implementation of the Multi-Tiered Systems of Support framework (MTSS). To accomplish this, the project team will import elements from a successful Pennsylvania school-based screening program which combines staff training in evidence-based practices and interventions, access to standardized screening and referral technology, and ongoing technical assistance and implementation support.



## **Key Program Goals**

- 1. Implement an evidence-based school mental health plan
- 2. Implement a behavioral health professional training plan
- 3. Provide assessment and direct treatment services in schools
- 4. Improve referral systems to community-based providers
- 5. Build stronger community partnerships

## **Implementation Partners**



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