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Aqua Safety First Community Program agrees with the WSCC, that when a child feels safe, healthy, challenged, engaged, and supported as stated by the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child Model, with respect to the Coordinated School Health Model of the CDC and the ASCD. **The WHOLE CHILD MODEL** was formed from the CDC's Coordinated School Health Model combined with the ASCD in 2014 with the view that child is a more productive and vital part of the larger community if their health, social, and educational needs are concurrently addressed. The model places the child at the center with all interdependent parts of schools and communities working towards the common goals of **The Whole Child Model**.

ASFCP aims to take this collective approach combining the areas of health and learning, and provide sustainable ways of living and being who we are as Louisiana's citizens, but at a much healthier and more productive level. We believe that by bringing this model into underserved communities, we can affect a positive change into the lives of children and their families now and into the future. It is historically proven that citizens in underserved communities typically have the poorest health and lifestyles with respect to diet and exercise. By introducing specific components at our annual health fair and water safety/awareness day, we promote healthy lifestyle changes as well as life-saving water training.

In presenting such information, we will have health care professionals discussing recent topics like the opiate crisis, presented by the state's Target Response Coordinator on the Opiate Addiction Crisis, Ms. Leilani Brunet, RN of the S. Central LA Human Services Authority, Professional dietitians presenting on-site meal plans and preparation, and many other community-minded service professionals. We will also have a Round-Table discussion to include family members and professionals to address some of the particular challenges of modern families. Additionally, we will also include our younger participants by engaging them in a hands-on Art Activity focused on healthy lifestyle changes.

Please come join us at the Dumas Auditorium on June 2, 2018, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and bring the kids for a day of fun activities, free food, door prizes, give-a-ways, and music!