

The Center for Loss and Bereavement, Skippack, PA, is a trusted, local non-profit organization that provides professional counseling, support services, and education for families, individuals, and organizations seeking resilient guidance and connection when confronting loss. To become more familiar with us, please visit our website @www.bereavementcenter.org.

GRIEF RESOURCES FOR YOUR SCHOOL

We invite the opportunity to support your efforts in providing students, their families and your staff with resources you may need while developing plans for those grieving in your schools. By partnering with our Center to provide some of these services suggested for those grieving, you will help reduce anxiety, relieve stress, and most importantly, benefit the educational, emotional, psychological and physical well-being of your entire school community.

<u>Specialized Collaboration</u> <u>for Preparation</u>

- ABC's of Children's Grief professional training, offering strategies and resources, tailored to this time of COVID-19. Increases general grief awareness and understanding.
- A strategy discussion on How to Facilitate a Grief Support Group in your school
- An interactive workshop to develop Notifications and Plans. Our staff will help your school develop tools to have ready in the event of the death of a student, teacher, staff, readjustment to class after loss.
- Training in Anxiety,
 Depression, and other Red
 Flags of Loss (death and
 non-death related)
- Utilizing our After the Bell Support Group, where school personnel can find support from peers in coping with issues impacting their work (death of student/staff member, loss of faculty connections, personal grief triggers, burnout from loss overload, etc.). Our Center will provide this virtual option as interest is shown.

<u>Professional Partnership</u> for Postvention

- Peer Grief Support Groups
 - Students may join an age-specific afterschool or evening support group offered through our Nello's Corner program, at no cost (currently virtual). Parents/Guardians also have an opportunity to attend a caregiver group as often as every other week. If you obtain permission to share family contact information with us after you learn of a loss, we will reach out to them.
 - We will facilitate or co-facilitate with a designated school staff person, peer grief groups specific to your school or district populations (at your site or virtually)
- Adult Loss Grief Support Groups offered virtually by our Center for any of your staff, parents, guardians to join if they wish support following a death.
- As a resource, our Center has 8 licensed professional therapists who are specialized in the field of grief and loss, accepting clients for individual, couple and family therapy. (currently virtual; fee for service, sliding scale available)

Contact us through our website at www.bereavementcenter.org or 610-222-4110

Increased Education and Resilience Building

- Parent/Guardian
 Information Forums
 The understanding and support offered by a primary caregiver is the greatest resource a grieving child can have. We can share practical tools for strengthening resilience and self-care during this time of uncertainty for families.
- Centered Conversations
 Arrange a Q&A with
 members of our staff to
 have those issues and
 questions most important to
 your staff directly addressed
- Creating a Safe Space for Students Designed to help teachers recognize and respond to student grief, anxiety, triggers and redflags during the pandemic
- Specific trainings and events tailored to the unique needs of your school can be developed with our staff

