STEP NEWSLETTER SIMPLE TIPS FOR EDMONDS TO PRACTICE

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TIPS

Mental Health includes our emotional, psychological, and social well-being. It affects how we think, feel, and act. It also helps determine how we handle stress, relate to others, and make choices. Mental health is important at every stage of life, from childhood and adolescence through adulthood.

- → 1 in 5 U.S. adults experience mental illness each year.
- → 1 in 6 U.S. youth aged 6-17 experience a mental health disorder each year.
- → 50% of all lifetime mental illness begins by age 14, and 75% by age 24.
- → Suicide is the second leading cause of death among people aged 10-34.²

Ways to Boost Mental Health

Utilize Positive Self-Talk

Self-talk is our inner voice, an ongoing dialogue we have with ourselves everyday. It influences how you see yourself and the world around you.

Connect with Others

Having good social support may help protect you against the harms of stress. Talk to people you feel comfortable with about your feelings or worries, then give yourself permission to stop worrying.

Take Care of your Physical Health

Your physical and mental health are connected. Some ways to take care of your physical health include being physically active, eating healthy and getting adequate sleep.

SELF-CARE

- ★ Maintain a daily routine with consistent sleep, activity and study patterns.
- ★ Say NO, it is okay to set healthy boundaries.
- ★ Be kind to yourself. You spend the most time with yourself, so make sure your relationship with the person in the mirror is a positive one.
- ★ Look for opportunities to laugh! Laughing helps release endorphins, our bodies' feel-good hormones.

STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

The STEP Team would like to spotlight all Edmonds students for soaring throughout the school year. 2020-2021 was like no other, but you all showed determination and resilience. Keep striving, be safe, and make good choices.

Your mind matters! Ms. Anderson, Mrs. Young, Mr. Leslie, Mr. Mobley

MOTIVATIONAL MINUTE



¹ https://www.mentalhealth.gov/basics/what-is-mental-health

² https://www.thenationalcouncil.org/mental-health-month/ ³https://7summitpathways.com/blog/what-is-positive-self-talk/#:~:text =Positive%20self%2Dtalk%20is%20an,and%20recognize%20when%20 you%20fail.

RESOURCES



SEL Resources

Heart and Mind Well-being Resources

Kids Health in the Classroom

High School Student Mental Health Guide

<u>25 Fun Mindfulness Activities for Children and Teens (+Tips!)</u>

Social Emotional and Mental Wellness

We All Have Mental Health

What is mental health?

5 Tips To Staying Mentally Healthy

Additional Resources

5 Self-Care Practices for Every Area of Your Life

Poster - 31 Ways to Work on Your Wellness

31 Tips to Boost Your Mental Health

Racism's Impact on Mental Health

Tips to Help Teens Cope During COVID-19

High School Student Mental Health Guide

Mental Health Resources

Non-emergency Mental Health Issues
Philly HOPE Line (call or text):
1-833-PHL-HOPE

Mental Health Emergencies Mobile Crisis: 215-683-6440 Philadelphia Children's Crisis Response Center: 215-878-2600

Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK

SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration): 1-800-662-HELP

Disaster Distress Helpline: 1-800-985-5990





THE F. S. EDMONDS STEP TEAM PRESENTS

NO CURSING OR LEWD LANGUAGE!!!

STEP INTO THE MIC KARAOKE



Come sing your heart out or listen to your friends perform their favorite songs

Every Friday | 11:50 am - 12:35 pm Zoom ID: 829 8506 7551 Passcode: 683748

PLEASE HAVE THE ARTIST NAME AND SONG TITLE WHEN SIGNING UP





WELLNESS WEDNESDAY

CAREGIVER CHAT & CHEW

Join the STEP Team as we share behavioral health supports and community resources

IST WEDNESDAY EVERY MONTH
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Zoom Meeting ID: 219 022 3796

