



# Suicide Prevention Week

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**SEPTEMBER**

SUICIDE PREVENTION MONTH



# Board of Education Priorities



## Maximize Student Achievement

- Close the digital and equity gap.
- Offer robust academic programs.
- Accelerate learning and improve attendance and engagement.

## Foster a Positive Culture of Learning

- Ensure equitable teaching and learning opportunities led by excellence.
- Support culturally relevant curriculum that emphasizes inclusion.
- Increase school connectedness, trust, and understanding for students, parents, and families.
- Strengthen relationships with families and school communities.

## Ensure the Health and Safety of Students and Employees

- Strengthen mental health support and programs.
- Ensure best practices for safe and healthy learning environments.
- Support physical, social, and emotional wellbeing.

## Maintain District Financial Responsibility

- Ensure the fiscal health of the District.
- Implement a fiscal plan to preserve the District resources.
- Plan for the District's future educational and facility needs.

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Over  
**48,000**

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people died by  
suicide in 2021



1 death every

11 minutes





# DATA

- Nearly 20% of high school students report serious thoughts of suicide and 9% have made an attempt to take their lives (National Alliance of Mental Illness).
- Suicide rates increased 60% in youth and young adults since 2011 (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's National Center for Health Statistics.)
- In 2021, suicide was the second leading cause of death for youth 10-14 years of age. (Center for Disease Control and Prevention)

# GUSD CRISIS TEAM RESPONDERS

- SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS
- SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGISTS
- SCHOOL COUNSELORS
- CLINICAL SOCIAL WORKERS
- MARRIAGE & FAMILY THERAPISTS





**350**

THREAT ASSESSMENTS  
COMPLETED LAST YEAR

**40**

STUDENTS WERE  
ASSESSED AT HOSPITALS  
AS A RESULT

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- Safety Plans
  - Re-Entry Meetings/Plans
  - Student Support Team Meetings
  - In person and telehealth counseling support
  - Link with Resources
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CRISIS  
FOLLOW-UP  
CARE



The logo consists of a dark blue square with a white border. Inside the square, the number '988' is written in a large, white, sans-serif font. Below the number, the words 'SUICIDE & CRISIS LIFELINE' are written in a smaller, white, sans-serif font, stacked in three lines: 'SUICIDE', '& CRISIS', and 'LIFELINE'.

**988**

**SUICIDE  
& CRISIS  
LIFELINE**



# CONTACT

Your School or the District's Student Wellness Services Department if you are interested in telehealth or in person counseling services.