



## Greenville Independent School District

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Dear Parent or Guardian:

The adolescent years are marked by a roller-coaster ride of emotions which can be difficult for students, their parents and educators. It is easy to misread depression as normal adolescent turmoil; however, depression appears to be occurring at a much earlier age. Depression, which is treatable, is a leading risk factor for suicide. In addition, self-injury has become a growing problem among our youth.

To proactively address these issues, Greenville ISD in partnership with the Hunt County Children's Advocacy Center (HCCAC) is offering suicide prevention presentations for Greenville ISD students in grades 6 – 12.

Our goals in participating in this program are straightforward:

- To explain that suicide is a preventable tragedy that often occurs as a result of untreated depression.
- To provide students training in how to identify serious depression and potential suicide in themselves or a friend.
- To impress upon our students that they can help themselves or a friend by taking the simple step of talking to a responsible adult about their concerns.
- To help students know who they can go to for help at school, if they need it. HCCAC Director of Community Outreach and Education Amy Ramsey has developed the program and will present the information. You can view the presentation [here](#).

If you do NOT wish your child to participate in the presentation, please reach out to your child's campus counselor.

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**LESSONS FOR WHEREVER LIFE LEADS**