WE ALL HAVE BAD DAYS AND GOOD DAYS, BUT SOMETIMES OUR MENTAL HEALTH GETS THE BEST OF US.

Practical coping strategies for everyday well-being

Spend time in nature



Stay hydrated



Get a good night's sleep



Exercise



Connect with others













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Mental health is just as important as physical health. Just because you can't see it doesn't mean it's not there.

- Do you often feel sad or hopeless?
- Have you lost interest in things that used to bring you joy?
- Do you have thoughts of suicide or harming yourself?
- Do you feel like a failure, a burden or bad about yourself?
- Do you drink or smoke to feel better?

If your ability to attend school, carry out daily activities or engage in satisfying relationships is impacted, then your mental health is asking for help.

MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT RESOURCES

Contact your school counselor:

Alissa Cohen, alissa.cohen@latitudehigh.org Drop in hours Monday-Thursday 12:30-1

- Text the CRISIS Line: Text "TALK" to 741741
- Call the Suicide & Crisis Lifeline to talk to someone: 988

Your Mental Health is as Important as Your Physical Health

Practical coping strategies for everyday well-being can help reduce unpleasant thoughts, feelings, and behaviors.

Find o ne that works for you.



SIGNS TO WATCH OUT FOR

- Are you feeling sad, lonely, anxious or depressed?
- Do you regularly have negative thoughts?
- Are you unable to control your emotions?
- Do you rely on smoking or drugs to feel better?
- Do you harm yourself?
- Do you just want to be alone?

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Friendships & Mental Health

Show your friends you are there for them by encouraging them to practice coping strategies.



Physical Activity Ride a bike Walk Stretch



Breathing Exercises Inhale for 4 Hold for 7 Exhale for 8



Volunteer
Animal shelter
Senior living
Food pantry



Find a hobby

Read

Paint

Dance



Hang out with friends Go to the park Watch a movie Have a game night



Practice gratitude Write down things you are grateful for



Spend time in nature Take a hike Watch the sunset Stargaze

WARNING SIGNS OTHERS MAY BE STRUGGLING WITH THEIR MENTAL HEALTH:

- •Don't hang out anymore
- Feel sad or hopeless
- Distracted during conversations or activities
- Loss of interest in activities
- •Have a negative view on life

HOW TO SUPPORT OTHERS:

- Listen to them
- •Invite them to social gatherings
- •Send them a care package
- Encourage them to get help
- •Offer to call the Lifeline together
- •Let them know it's okay to ask for help



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