

Mental Health & Wellness Resources for Students, Staff, and School Community



What Helps Your Mental Health -Positive Coping Strategies to Use

- Mindfulness: Bring your attention to your surroundings:
- Movement: Include your favorite physical activity in your daily routine to improve your well-being.
- Breathing Exercises: Calm your mind with your breath. Breathe in 4 seconds, hold your breath for 7 seconds, and exhale for 8 seconds.
- Grounding Skills: Find five things you can see, four things you can touch, three things you can hear, two things you can smell, and one thing you can taste
- Self-Compassion: Treat yourself with kindness and understanding, like you would treat a dear friend.
- Connect With Others: Spend time with friends and loved ones, or seek therapy.
- Journaling: Write down all your thoughts and experiences to help process or make sense of them.
- *Meditation:* Quiet your mind and thoughts in a calm environment.

What Doesn't Help Your Mental Health -**Negative Coping Strategies to Avoid**

- Avoidance and procrastination
- Substance abuse, self-medicating with substances, or other unhealthy habits
- Violence and abuse
- Hurting yourself or others
- Disconnecting from your thoughts or emotions
- Thinking about the worst-case scenario
- Isolating yourself from your support system
- Not talking about it with a trusted adult

24/7 Coping Resources



SDUHSD Virtual Calm Room

SDCOE Mental Health Supports webpage www.sdcoe.net/students/health-well-being/

Signs Your Mental Health Needs Attention

- Feelings of hopelessness and worthlessness
- Extreme self-consciousness or sensitivity to criticism
- Difficulty communicating or maintaining relationships
- Eating too much or too little
- Low energy, no interest in activities, usually enjoyed
- Overly interested or involved in risky activities and behaviors (substance use, unsafe acts)
- Less attention to personal hygiene or appearance
- Significant changes in school performance or frequent absences from school
- Experiencing obtrusive, bizarre, or paranoid thoughts
- Experiencing hallucinations, hearing voices
- Increased irritability, anger, or hostility
- Self-harm for example, cutting or burning
- Thinking about death or thoughts of suicide

Quick 24/7 Helplines (on student ID cards)

Suicide & Crisis Lifeline **Dial 9-8-8** National Helpline Text 'HELP' to 1-800-622-4357 **Crisis Text Line** Text **Help or Hello to 741741** Trevor Project Text Line Text 'START' to 678-678

Suicide Prevention

Take Action for Mental Health

www.takeaction4mh.com **CA Mental Health Services Authority**

www.calmhsa.org/

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention www.afsp.org

*For community members who may be struggling with symptoms related to mental health concerns, including but not limited to anxiety, depression, eating disorders, emotional dysregulation, bipolar

episodes, and schizophrenic episodes, the following organizations host a wealth of resources,

> **Mental Health America (MHA)** www.mhanational.org

American Psychological Association (APA)

National Alliance for Mental Illness (NAMI)

US Department of Health (SAMHSA)

www.apa.org/topics www.nami.org/Home

www.samhsa.gov/mental-health

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

SD County Substance Use Disorder Service

1-888-724-7240 www.sandiegocounty.gov/hhsa/programs/bhs/

School Resources

School Counselors, Social Workers, and Psychologists: The Counseling Office is open every day during school hours.

Care Solace: free resource with a 24/7 concierge to help you find mental health support multiple languages 1-888-515-0595

www.caresolace.com/sduhsdfamilies

*Call the main school phone number for non-emergency assistance at any time.

1-858-481-8221	Canyon Crest Academy	1-858-350-0253
1-760-944-1892	La Costa Canyon	1-760-436-6136
1-858-755-1558	San Dieguito Academy	1-760-753-1121
1-760-753-6241	Sunset	1-760-753-3860
1-858-509-1000	Torrey Pines	1-858-755-0125
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