

Gloucester City School District

Mental and Emotional Health Resources during COVID-19

Parent/Elementary Resources

- How to Talk to Your Kids About Coronavirus -- from PBS with links to relevant videos from Daniel Tiger, Sesame Street, etc.
- Helping Children Cope with Emergencies -- from the CDC. Details what children's reactions (depending on age) might look like and how parents and caregivers can help them before, during, and after the emergency.
- How to Talk with Kids About COVID-19 -- from Stanford Children's Health.
- PJ Library Resources for Quarantined Families -- ideas for having fun and staying busy at home!
- <u>BrainPop -- Coronavirus</u> -- age-appropriate video explaining the virus for elementary students.

General Resources for HS Students/Parents

- <u>Talking to Children About COVID-19 (Coronavirus): A Parent Resource</u> -- from the National Association of School Psychologists and National Association of School Nurses
- Managing Anxiety and Stress -- from the CDC.
- <u>Taking Care of Your Mental Health in the Face of Uncertainty</u> -- from the American Foundation of Suicide Prevention.
- How to help children and teens manage their stress -- from the American Psychological Association.
- Helping Children and Teens Cope with Anxiety About COVID-19 -- from Seattle Children's Hospital.
- <u>Care for Your Coronavirus Anxiety</u> -- wealth of research-backed and helpful tools articles, meditations, access to mental health experts, anxiety screenings, and more.
- Coping With Stress During Infection Disease Outbreaks -- from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration.

Mindfulness and Reducing Stress/Anxiety

- Calm -- relaxation app.
- GoZen -- online social and emotional learning programs for students experiencing anxiety.
- <u>Down Dog app</u> -- yoga; free access until July 1st for all students and teachers (K-12 and college).
- 13 Minutes Body Scan Meditation For Teens and Adults/ Mindfulness For Children
- <u>16/21 Days of Mindfulness Bootcamp 5 Minutes Mountain Meditation Mindfulness for</u> Teens & Adults
- 1 Minute Mindfulness Activities