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MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

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NEW HORIZONS MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR SCHOOLS

Signs of Suicide (SOS) is a school-based depression awareness and suicide prevention program. It is designed for middle and high school students. SOS has shown a reduction in self-reported suicide attempts by 40–64 percent in studies. The goals of the program are to increase student knowledge and attitudes about depression, encourage students to seek help for themselves or a friend, reduce the stigma of mental health, and engage parents and school staff in prevention education.

Suicide prevention in schools is so important because suicide is the second leading cause of death for youth ages 10–19 in the United States. One in six teens has seriously contemplated suicide in the past year. Currently, New Horizons Mental Health Services works with 13 schools in Fairfield County. This program touches approximately 3,500 students each school year.

Contact Renee Klautky, Ph.D., CDMS, LSW, at 740.243.2992 or rklautky@newhorizonsmentalhealth.org for more information.

New Horizons knows anxiety and depressive symptoms are likely to increase with isolation, but you don't have to face them alone. New Horizons offers a full array of services through telephone or telehealth to students and parents and acts as a resource for teachers and school personnel regarding any behavioral health questions.

If you have questions, concerns, or just want to talk with someone, New Horizons can help you stay connected during this difficult time. Not only does New Horizons have a **Teacher/Parent Support Line** at 740.901.9336 to directly contact Justine Simpson, Ed.D., LPCC-S, but New Horizons also has a **Community Support and Warm Line** at 740.277.1934 to speak with a trained staff member.



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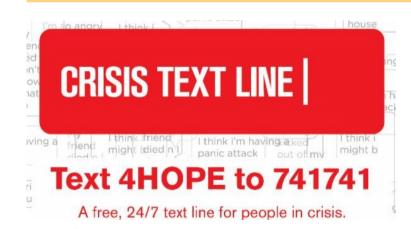
School, work, relationships, and home life are tough enough, but what about added pressures like bullying, grief, loss, or emotional and mental issues? For many, this is a daily – and lonely – struggle. Be Present is a simple yet powerful way we can be there for ourselves and each other. For more information, visit www.bepresentohio.org.

NETWORK OF CARE PROVIDERS

- <u>Big Brothers Big Sisters of Fairfield</u>
 <u>County</u>
- <u>Fairfield County 2-1-1 (Information & Referral)</u>
- <u>Fairfield County Family, Adult and Children First Council</u>
- <u>Fairfield Mental Health Consumer</u>
 <u>Group</u>
- <u>Lancaster/Fairfield Community</u> Action

- The Lighthouse
- <u>Lutheran Social Services Faith</u>
 <u>Mission of Fairfield County</u>
- Mental Health America of Ohio
- Mid-Ohio Psychological Services, Inc.
- New Horizons Mental Health Services
- OhioGuidestone
- The Recovery Center





Mental Health Crisis Hotline

740.687.8255 Toll-free: 855.431.0803

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