

"It is only natural that we and our children find many things that are hard to talk about. But anything human is mentionable and anything mentionable is manageable. The mentioning can be difficult, and the managing too, but both can be done if we are surrounded by love and trust." ~Fred Rogers

MAY 2021: Celebrating Social Emotional and Mental Health in the MSD!

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| May is MENTAL HEALTH MONTH | MERRIMACK SCHOOL DISTRICT SOCALS System of Care & Learning Separits | Mental Health Conversation with Chief Justice John Broderick 6:30pm Zoom: us02web.zoom.us/j/85782 896707 | Name 3 things you are grateful for & encourage someone else to do the same! | Start the conversation: What do you know & what do you want to learn about mental health & wellness? | Wear GREEN today to celebrate Mental Health awareness! National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day | 8 "When it rains look for rainbows, when it's dark look for stars"- Oscar Wilde |
| A WEEK TO CHANGE DIRECTION May 10-16, 2021 Ogiveanhour Abangedirector. | Click here to participate in A Week to Change Direction 2021 | Read aloud | Webinar Collective Impact: Collaborating to Improve Mental Health 3:00pm | Webinar The Importance od Mental Health and Wellbeing for a Professional Athlete 3:00pm | Movie Night! Pick a movie from the below list b& have a discussion | "Believe you can and you're halfway there"- Theodore Roosevelt |
| "A day without laughter is a day wasted" – Charlie Chaplin | Write a letter to someone letting them know how much they mean to you. | Read aloud | Listen to the 603 Stories Podcast | Zoom: Gizmo's Pawsome Guide to Mental Health Storytime 6:30pm | Movie Night! Pick a movie from the list below & have a discussion | Scavenger Hunt for Outdoors Scroll Down! |
| Register for Thursday's event here | Do something creative today! Paint, Journal, dance, sing | Read aloud | Visit Seize the Awkward to learn more about having conversations about mental health & hear stories from celebrities & influencers. | Zoom: Talk Saves Lives: A Brief Introduction to Suicide Prevention 6:30pm | Movie Night! Pick a movie from the list below & have a discussion | Try something new today! Reflect: How did you feel before & after? |
| "Always believe that something wonderful is about to happen" | Create your own mantra for positive self-talk. | What is SEL? | | | | |



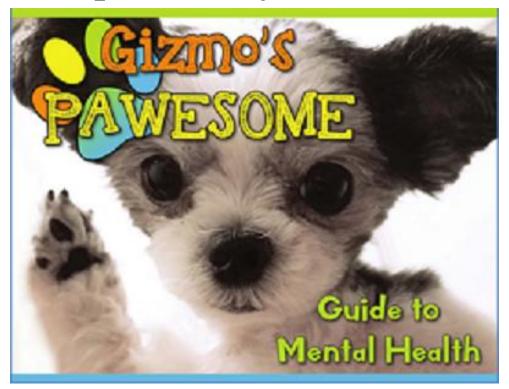
Inside Out PG
Finding Nemo G
Up PG
Coco PG
Remember the Titans PG
It's Kind of a Funny Story PG-13
A Beautiful Mind PG-13
Love & Mercy PG-13
Won't You Be My Neighbor? PG-13
The Perks of Being a Wallflower PG-13

Scavenger Hunt for Outdoors



| Smooth rock | Wild flower | |
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| Animal tracks | Insect | |
| Moss | Tree bark | |
| Mud | Clover | |
| Feather | Twig | |
| Mud or Puddle | Acorn | |
| Street Sign | Fire hydrant | |
| Bird | Leaf | |

Join us for a special story-time read along of:



Date: Thursday, May 20

Time: 6:30pm (Virtual Program)

For: Youth ages 5-11 and their Trusted Adults

Registration Required: gizmo052021.attendease.com/

Gizmo's Pawesome Guide to Mental Health Guide (Copyright © 2017 All rights youth. Gizmo's friendly messaging includes:

- 1) Introducing the concept of mental health;
- 2) Sharing how one may care for their own mental health daily;
- 3) Identifying when one's mental health needs attention and how to use healthy coping strategies;
- 4) Defining trusted adults and how to connect with them; and
- 5) Making a personalized mental health plan that can be used daily.

*This program is brought to you in partnership with Merrimack School District and the NH Chapter of the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

Questions? Please contact AFSP Area Director, Shamera Simpson at ssimpson@afsp.org.







A Brief Introduction to Suicide Prevention

Suicide can be prevented. This presentation will cover what we know about this leading cause of death, the most up-to-date research on prevention, and what we can all do to fight suicide.

Participants will learn the common risk factors for suicide, how to spot the warning signs in others, and how to keep ourselves, our loved ones and those in our community safe.

Date

May 27, 2021

Time

6:30pm to 7:30pm

Location

Virtual Program

Pre-Register to Access Zoom Link

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