# Depression

### & Signs of Suicide

Depression is the most common of mental illnesses and can lead to suicidal thoughts and actions. In fact, suicide is the third leading cause of death among those 14-24 years of age and the second for youth aged 10-14. The good news is that depression can be treated and cured, and suicide can be prevented!





### Triggers

Loss Failure Rejection Bullying Humiliation Trauma



### Feelings

Hopeless Sad Anger Powerless Trapped Empty



### Depression

Clinical Depression lasts longer than two weeks and leaves a person unable to function normally.



### Acknowledge



Acknowledge their message and take them seriously; ask directly if they are thinking of planning suicide.

### Care



Express your concern in a non-judgmental manner. Let them know you are there to help.

### Tell



Tell a Trusted Adult (Parent, Teacher, Counselor, Coach, Pastor, Proctor, Police, Someone!)

### **Get Support**

Depression is the number one mental illness experienced by people. You are not alone. Treatment is effective. Talk therapy and/or medication are very helpful. You don't have to see someone alone, you can bring a friend with you to the counselor. Suicide is a permanent solution to a temporary problem.

Suicide is Preventable.

### Resources



School counselors, school psychologists, mental health staff, and social workers

## **Emergency**

Call: 917
Suicide Prevention
Lifeline:
1 (800) 273 - 8255
Suicide Crisis Line:
1 (877) 727 - 4747

Text a lip
949-682-8398
When you
want to make
a confidential
referral

Telling someone helps!



### Self-Care

#### **Emotional**



Sustaining emotional health nurtures relationships with self and others.

### **Physical**



Upholding physical health boosts positive feelings.

#### **Mental**



Maintaining mental health improves overall health and wellness.