



Erika's Lighthouse



Access the free programs and resources we will be reviewing today.



Meet Katie

Vice President of Programs
Erika's Lighthouse















Every student deserves good mental health.

We're a nonprofit on a mission to provide free mental health programs for any school, anywhere.







Founded in 2004

Founded in 2004 after the loss of a 14year-old who died from her depression; it was the second suicide in the community in the same school year

Mission-driven

Dedicated to educating and raising awareness about adolescent depression, encouraging good mental health and breaking down the stigma surrounding mental health issues

Free programs, always

All programs are no cost and focus on bringing our hopeful and empowering message to schools

Evidence-informed

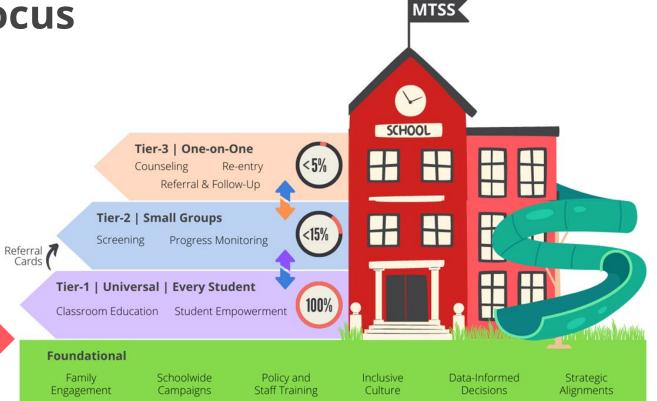
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Area of Focus



What more can we do here?

What can we do better?

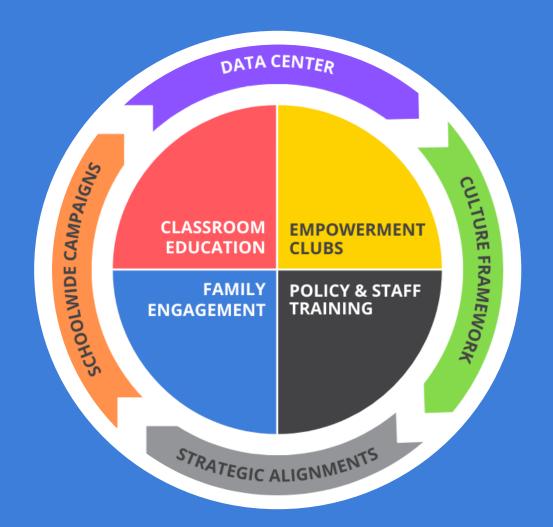
FREE PROGRAM MODEL

FOUR PILLARS

Classroom Education Empowerment Clubs Family Engagement Policy & Staff Training

WRAPAROUND SUPPORTS

Schoolwide Campaigns Culture Framework Data Center Strategic Alignments





Classroom Education

Depression education for grades 4-12



Classroom Education Programs

Use Together or Standalone. All are fully bilingual in English & Spanish

Level I: We All Have Mental Health (Ideal for gr. 4-6)

Introduction to mental health by understanding everyday feelings vs. overwhelming feelings with a strong focus on help-seeking and good mental health.

Level II: Depression Awareness (Ideal for gr. 5-9)

Introduction to depression by recognizing signs and symptoms with a strong focus on help-seeking and good mental health.

Level III: Depression Education & Suicide Awareness (Ideal for gr. 8-12) Introduction to depression and suicide with a strong focus on helpseeking and good mental health.















Two Versions of Classroom Programs

Full Program:

- Made up of 4 lessons
- Each lesson is 40-45 minutes
- Meets National Health Education Standards

One-Day Lesson:

- One lesson that is a condensed version of the Full Program.
- The lesson is 40-45 minutes

Full Program

Download the Full Level II Program
(Includes all Facilitator Guides and Student Packets)

Lesson 1: Signs & Symptoms of Depression

Video Segment: Vimeo | YouTube | Google

Facilitator Instructions

Student Workbook (Spanish)

Slideshow (Google, PPT | Spanish)

Self-Referral Cards (Spanish)

Student Bookmark (Canva | (Spanish, Canva)

Lesson 3: Coping Strategies

Video Segment Part 1: Vimeo | YouTube | Google

Video Segment Part 2: Vimeo | YouTube | Google

Facilitator Instructions

Student Workbook (Spanish)

Slideshow (Google, PPT | Spanish)

Lesson 2: Help-Seeking

Video Segment: Vimeo | YouTube | Google

Facilitator Instructions

Student Workbook (Spanish)

Slideshow (Google, PPT | Spanish)

Lesson 4: Skills Check

Facilitator Instructions
Student Workbook (Spanish)

One Day Lesson

Best practice is to use the full four-day lessons above. However, our research has demonstrated an increase in knowledge and help-seeking with only one day.

Pre-Test: http://elhms.info

Video: Vimeo | YouTube

Student Stories Video Links: Vimeo | YouTube

Facilitator Instructions

Slides (Google, PPT | Spanish)

Student Workbook

Self-Referral Cards (Spanish)

Student Bookmark (Canva | (Spanish, Canva)

Post-test: http://elhmspost.info



Components of all Classroom Programs

- Videos
- Facilitator Instructions
- Student-facing Slides
- Student Workbooks/Materials
- Exit Tickets/Self-Referral Cards
- Student Bookmarks
- Pre- and Post-Tests





Level I Core Messages

Mental Health:

- Everyday feelings
- Overwhelming feelings
- Coping Skills
- Help seeking

Everyone deserves good mental health.

You are not alone, there is hope.





Level II & III Core Messages

Depression is..

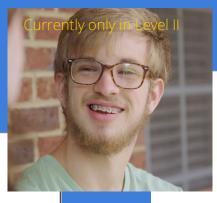
a mood disorder common serious treatable Everyone deserves good mental health

You are not alone— there is hope



Representation Matters in Level II and III videos















Student Bookmarks

Level I Bookmarks





Level II & III Bookmarks









Schoolwide Campaigns

Large awareness campaigns to engage everyone





An Awareness Campaign for Suicide Prevention Week

Give Voice is an opportunity to empower youth with a week of activities that will give voice to their priorities and needs for good mental health.

Official Partner Campaign with

KEY CLUB®



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Education	Help- Seeking	Awareness	Positivity	Уои	



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MENTAL HEALTH

RECHARGE

5 minute classroom breaks to boost mental health



Over 50 positive coping mechanisms

that can be used by:

- Teachers
- Counselors
- Coaches
- Therapists
- Staff
- Students

They are accessible via:

- Computer
- Tablet
- Smartphone
- Classroom Projector
- Physical Cards (\$)













Self-guided **Mental Health Education** that covers:

- Stress
- Anxiety
- Depression
- Self-Harm
- Body Image
- Co-Occurring Disorders
- Suicide, and more...

Guides to **improve communication** and help-seeking relating to:

- Talking to friends
- Talking to parents
- Asking for help
- How to help a friend in need









An Awareness Campaign for Mental Health Awareness Month

The Positivity Pledge is an opportunity to commit to 31 days focused on positive actions, helping others, self-care, and establishing good habits for positive mental health.

Official Partner Campaign with





May is mental health awareness month

	#Share Sunday	#MentalHealth Monday	#SelfCare Tuesday	#Winning Wednesday	#SelfCare Thursday	#FamilyFriends Friday	#SelfCare Saturday
Nutrition & Well- Being	Frika's Lighthouse Erikas_LH © Erikas.lighthouse			Learn about the connection between nutrition and mental health. Share it.	Find a 2 relaxing activity and focus on me- time.	Prepare a healthy meal for your family/friends.	4 Find a healthy stress reliever.
Gratitude	Share your progress!	ldentify your trusted friends, family, adults.	Make a list of who/what you are grateful for.	Show your gratitude.	Make a list of traits you love about yourself.	Make a connection,	Make a list of the traits you love about someone else.
Exercise	Remind folks about your pledge!	Learn about the connection between exercise and mental health. Share it.	14 Exercise!	Move and do good.	16 Exercise!	17 Play a game.	18 Exercisel
Mindfulness	Send out positive messages:	Learn about other's mental health.	21 Find a relaxing activity.	22 Perform kindness.	23 Self-Reflect.	Reach out to someone in need.	25 Meditate and chill.
Reflection	26 Share a recap of the pledge.	Take time to reflect on your journey and how you can make changes in the future.	You did a great job. Relax a take some time for yourself.	Write down 3 things you found helpful from this pledge.	30 Make a list of the activities that you enjoy doing.	Post and share with family and friends about you taking the Pledge on social media.	





Family Engagement

Resources for adults and their teens



Family Workbook Series to Share

all workbook links are downloadable in English & Spanish



We All Have Mental Health

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FAMILY WORKBOOK SERIES

Mental Health & Depression



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Concerned About Your Child

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Getting Help

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2 FAMILY WORKSHOPS



Family Workshop I

We All Have Mental Health

On-Demand Virtual Workshop (Spanish)

Use the below links to share with your school community:

English Vimeo | YouTube

Spanish Vimeo | YouTube

Host In-Person or Virtual Family Workshop I

Facilitator's Guide (Spanish)

Slideshow (Spanish)

Level I Video: English | Spanish

Pre-test: http://elhfw.info | QR Code

Post-test: http://elhfwpost.info | QR Code

Family Workshop II

Depression & Suicide

On-Demand Virtual Workshop (Spanish)

Use the below links to share with your school community:

English Vimeo | YouTube

Spanish Vimeo | YouTube

Host In-Person or Virtual Family Workshop II

Facilitator's Guide (Spanish)

Slideshow (Spanish)

Level II Video | Level III Video

Pre-test: http://elhfw.info
Post-test: http://elhfwpost.info

Schools can either lead this workshop on their own using providedslides and a facilitator's guide Schools can use the pre-recorded version provided by Erika's Lighthouse to share with families.

Available in English and Spanish

Resources/Activities to share with

Families









Empowerment Clubs

Good mental health clubs & activities



Club Opportunities

Official Erika's Lighthouse Empowerment Club

- A school club that empowers and educates to eliminate stigma (not a support group)
- Receives up to \$500/school year in funding for activities
- Minimal requirements

Affiliate Club

 An already existing school club, with a similar mission, that wants to use Erika's Lighthouse resources. (Key Club, SADD Chapters, Hope Squads, Interact Clubs, and more!)





\$500 per club available



Trainin Module





International







Policy & Staff Training

Policies & training to promote inclusive cultures



ALL STAFF TRAINING IS AVAILABLE

Choose a Staff Training Path:

Individual Training: 4-module, pre-recorded training to be completed individually. Each registrant will receive a Certificate of Completion upon watching all videos and completing accompanying quizzes. (45 minutes of videos + short quizzes)

Group Training: A qualified staff member can host a professional development training for the building using the the provided modules and suggestd small group activities.

Staff Training Modules:

Welcome to the Erika's Lighthouse Staff Training

Part 1: Signs and Symptoms of Depression & Suicide

Part 2: Helping A Student

Part 3: Crisis Intervention



STAFF WELLBEING ACTIVITIES

Posters

- · Everyone Deserves Good Mental Health
- · Get Depression Out of the Dark
- · Mental Health Is Important
- · You Are Not Alone

Peer to Peer

- · Positivity Shout-Outs
- · Encourage-mints
- Catch Kindness

Schoolwide

- Mindful Meetings
- Self-Care Stations
- · Coffee & Stress
- · Table Tents

Individual Growth

- · Self-Care Guide
- 5 Minute Brain Break
- Mental Health Bingo

A Little Encourage-Mint!

Someone is looking out for you!



For more programs and resources around mental health, visit www.ErikasLighthouse.org.



FROM:

Staff Shout-Out

TO:



SCHOOL POLICIES & INTERVENTIONS

School Policies & Interventions

- · Mental Health Task Force and Protocol (Canva)
- · Model School District Policy on Suicide Prevention
- Checklist for Suicide Prevention Efforts (Canva)
- Classroom Accommodations Sample (Canva)
- Student Assessment Protocol Sample (Canva)
- Intervention Language for Educators (Canva)
- Immediate Intervention Protocol Sample (Canva)
- Mental Health Checklist (Canva | Spanish, Canva)
- · Recommendations for Universal Mental Health Screenings

General Educator Resources

- Strategies & Tools to Support a Student's Mental Health
- Mental Health Recharge 5-minute activities
- Classroom Accommodations Sample (Canva)
- Intervention Language for Educators (Canva)
- Mental Health Checklist (Canva | Spanish, Canva)
- · When to Involve a School Mental Health Professional

Administrator Resources

- White Paper Integrating Mental Health into the Whole School, Whole Community, Whole Child Model for School Health
- White Paper Model School District Policy on Suicide Prevention: Implementing Effective Prevention Strategies
- · Introduction to Erika's Lighthouse Presentation



Strategies & Tools to Support a Student's Mental Health

ssroom-wide Tool:

RECHARGE - 5 minute classroom breaks to boost mental health for all students.

Student-Specific Strategies & Tools:

- Tools for Regulating Emotions

 Draw a picture or create a collage of the different feelings you've experiencing Howdo you feet fodday?

 Play emotions charades
 Deep Breathing, Word Breathing
 Mindfulness Corner
 Use a Feelings Thermometer
- Tools for Attention & Focus

 Get active; push ups on wall, jumping jacks; take a liga around the school

 Listen to instrumental music with headdhories

 Deep Breatting
 List a year friend while Israning
- Use a quiet flüger while listening
 Set a timer for tasks. 8 break tasks into
 chunks
 Set up scheduled breaks
 Have visual reminders on desk
 Offer flexible seating/work while standing
 Crossword puzzles, picture puzzles,
 mazes, memory yames.

- Tools for Anger & Frustration
 Say the ABCs backwards
 Draw what makes you mad and o
- or np up the paper
 Hold an ice pack or rice cube in fists
 Hold an ice pack to chest
 Clench and unclench your fists
 Use a Feelings Thermometer
 Mindfulness jars
 Deep Breathing, Butbl
- Tools for Sadness & Worry

 Create a list of things that you enjoy/ Draw what makes you feel good
 Positive affirmations
- Movement break
 Write or draw away your worries
 Deep, Breathing, Word Breathing, Bubble, Breathing
 Worny lars
 Crote of Control Activity.

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When to Reach out to a School Mental Health Professional

- Things to Consider/Helpful Tips:
- Educate yourself on the <u>Warning Sign & Symptoms of Depression and Suicide</u>, Consider watching the street of Symptoms of February Staff Training.

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- Be a good observer of the student's behavior.
 Consider using the Montal Health Checklist to document changes.
- the past 2 or more weeks.

 Keep a journal to track patterns that you observe. Pay attention to the duration, frequency and
- Intensity of behaviors.

 Review Intervention Language and Being the Trusted Adult.
- Gather ideas from <u>Strategies & Tools to Support a Student's Mental Health</u>
 Praise appropriate behaviors, choices and efforts. Point out even small improvement
- Praise appropriate behaviors, choices and efforts. Point out even small improve student know that skills can get better.
- Talk about the students strengths, not only challenges.
 Celebrate wins, big and small. When kids understand what they are good at, it builds confidence helps them stay motivated when things are tough.
- Manager made observations? Manager trians dut
- What strategies or tools have you put in place?

 Has the behavior increased or remained the same in regards to duration, frequency and inte
- is this a marked change in this student?

than not.

e mention of suicidal ideation and/or intent needs immediate o Threats or acts of harm to self and others needs immediate o

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Mental Health Checklist

Document changes in behavior you have observed for the past 2 or more weeks.

Sad, depressed or irritable mood

Significant weight loss or gain, significant change in appearance

_ Restlessness, agitation or anxie

Fatigue or loss of energy, including sleeping in class
Feelings of guilt, inappropriate apologies

Low self-esteem, self deprecating comments
 Trouble concentrating or making decisions

Repeated thoughts of death, infatuation with dark and sad things
Frequent headaches and stomach pains

___ Frequent headaches and stomach Cutting or other self-injury

Extreme aggressiveness
 Inattention to appearance, or inappropriate clothing for the weath

Excessive risk-taking behavior
 Drop in school performance

___ Low tolerance for frustration

__ Lack of motivation or apathy

___ Disrespect ___ Social withdrawa

Problems concentrating, unable to store and retrieve information

__ Disorganized, forgotten materials and assignment

___ Frequent absences or trips to the school nursi





Data Center

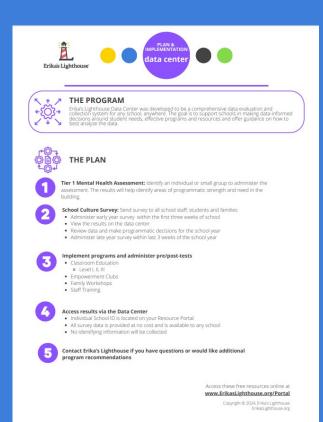
Empowering schools to make data-informed decisions



Erika's Lighthouse Data Center

- A full suite of data tools, and the technology behind them, that will empower schools communities to make data-informed decisions.
- We are offering the following:
 - School Culture survey
 - Tier-1 School Mental Health Assessment
 - Six pre & post program evaluation surveys for program impact and value

Access the Data Center Data Center Dashboard (draft)





Tier-1 School Mental Health Assessment

Supporting schools in implementing best practices.

The assessment provides schools a "where to start" by helping them identify potential gaps and offer solutions.





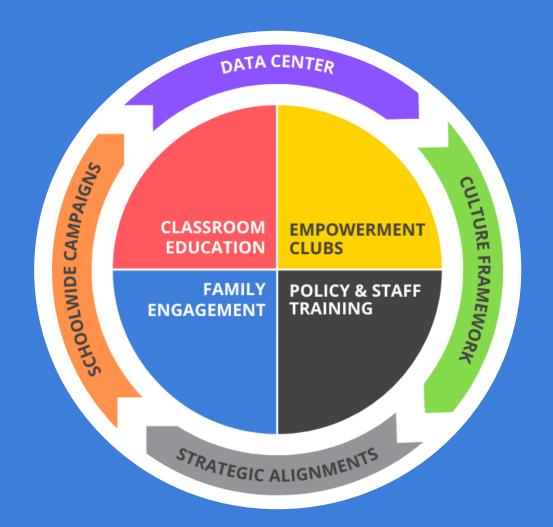
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