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Western Wayne High School Students and Families,

We would like to take this opportunity to provide you with some School Counseling updates. First, let us start by saying we miss you and recognize the uncertainty and loss you may be feeling as Governor Wolf's order to close all schools for the rest of the year is fresh on our minds. Second, we are still here for you! We are available as a resource to you via email Monday-Friday, 8:00am-3:00pm. If you would like to schedule a time to touch base on the phone, please send an email, including a contact number and preferred time (between 8am and 3pm). Please allow 24-48 hours for a response. Please keep in mind that school staff will be calling from a No Caller ID number. **Disclaimer: DO NOT rely on email for mental health crises or other emergencies.** If you or your child is experiencing a mental health crisis, please utilize one of the hotline resources provided below.

Much of our Spring is dedicated to meeting with students to discuss their career plans and course requests for the following school year. We began this process and will continue remotely. **If you have not met with your School Counselor yet, we are asking students to email us a contact number and (3) preferred times for us to reach out.**

9th and 10th grade students with last names A-L - Mrs. Chernin at rchernin@westernwayne.org

9th and 10th grade students with last names M-Z - Mrs. Palko at rpalko@westernwayne.org

11th grade students with last names A-L - Mr. Fitzsimmons at mfitzsimmons@westernwayne.org

11th grade students with last names M-Z - Mrs. Gribble at kgribble@westernwayne.org

Seniors! We are sympathetic to the disappointment you may be feeling. Please know we are thinking of you often and trying to formulate ways to recognize your time as a Western Wayne student. Although things may not be traditional (let's face it you are not a traditional class), we will find a way to celebrate your achievements and honor your hard work and dedication! Please email us if you have any ideas! With that said, continue to check out the scholarships listed on our webpage and email us with any questions or concerns. Colleges seem to be extending their enrollment deadlines and changing their admitted students days to a virtual setting.

We hope you are staying healthy and practicing social distancing. Please stay connected and reach out if you have questions.

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PA Support & Referral Helpline

The Department of Human Services (DHS) launched a statewide Support & Referral Helpline staffed by skilled and compassionate staff who will be available 24/7 to assist Pennsylvanians struggling with anxiety and other challenging emotions due to the COVID-19 emergency and refer them to community-based resources that can further help to meet individual needs.

The number to call is 1-855-284-2494. For TTY, dial 724-631-5600.

Many other resources also remain available to Pennsylvanians in need of support, including:

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

Nacional de Prevención del Suicidio: 1-888-628-9454

Crisis Text Line: Text "PA" to 741-741

Veteran Crisis Line: 1-800-273-TALK (8255)

Disaster Distress Helpline: 1-800-985-5990

Get Help Now Hotline (for substance use disorders): 1-800-662-4357

Pennsylvania Sexual Assault Helpline: 1-888-772-7227

National Domestic Violence Helpline: 1-800-799-7233

Wayne County Victim's Intervention program 570-253-4401

Wayne County Drug and Alcohol 570-253-6022

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