

November 23, 2009

Dear Families,

Sadly, the High School community is dealing with the loss of one of our 11th grade students, due to longstanding illness. Staff and students are saddened by this loss, and the district has provided school psychologists, social workers and counselors to offer support as needed.

People react to loss in different ways. Signs of grief might include, but are not limited to, mood swings, irritability, anger, difficulty sleeping or eating, in addition to sadness and crying. If you have concerns about your child's reaction, please contact your child's counselor at the high school.

Community resources that might be helpful include but are not limited to:

First Call for HELP	(216) 436-2000
Mobile Crisis	(216) 623-6888
Hospice of the Western Reserve	(216) 486-6838

Sincerely,

Dr. Charles Smialek
Principal