# School District Experience to Localized Postvention Response

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## Agenda



**State of the District** 

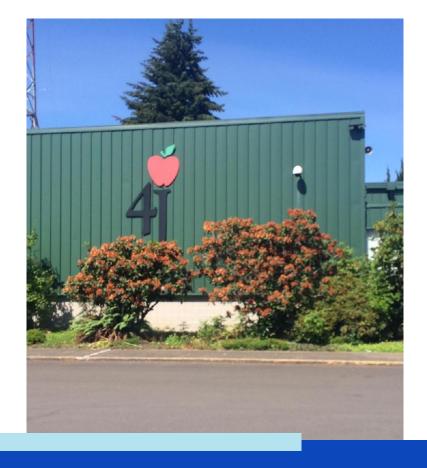


**Initial Response** 



**Postvention as Prevention** 





#### State of the District

January 2022 to June 2022

- Student loss
- County Declaration
- Suicide Rapid Response Activation

## Initial Response

- Care Rooms
  - School psychologists and Lane County Public Health, Youth ERA
- Critical Incident Stress Debrief (CISM) for staff
- Oregon Healing Collective held space for staff and students
- Communication of local resources

#### Care Solace

**Calming the Chaos of the Mental Health System** 





## Postvention as Prevention



LANE COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH SUICIDE PREVENTION PROGRAM

#### COMMUNITY RESILIENCE FORUM

April 14, 2020 | 6:30-7:30 Hilyard Community Center 2580 Hilyard St. Eugene, OR 97405

Numerous communities in Lane County have been affected by suicide and loss in recent months. We invite you to join us for a conversation about how we navigate these losses and strategies for supporting each other.

Spanish and ASL interpreters will be available on site. The event will be recorded and can be viewed the following day on preventionlane.org. Child care will also be available.

Contact Roger Brubaker with any questions at roger.brubaker@lanecountyor.gov







## Community Forum



#### Self

Harm

Session

Parent Information Session

#### **SELF-HARM & CUTTING:**

Suicidal & Non-Suicidal Self Injury

Monday, April 25, 6-7:30 p.m.

Sheldon HS Auditorium 2455 Willakenzie Road



Come learn what to do when your child exhibits signs of self-harm, what it means, and where to seek help.

Spanish and ASL interpretation provided









## SUICIDE PREVENTION

### COMMUNITY TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES



#### Suicide Prevention Training: Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR)

Learn how to recognize the warning signs of a suicide crisis and how to question, persuade, and refer someone to help.

Open to all parents and interested community members ages 18+.

Tuesday, May 3 6-7:30 PM

South Eugene High School Library, 400 E. 19th Ave.

In-person training by Roger Brubaker, Senior Community Health Analyst Tuesday, May 17 6-7:30 PM

North Eugene High School Cafeteria, 200 Silver Lane

In-person training by Roger Brubaker Senior Community Health Analyst

Contact: Angi Meyer, 4J suicide prevention/risk assessment specialist, meyer\_a@4j.lane.edu















### **QPR** Trainings



#### Substance Use

and Coping

**Parent Information Session** 

#### Teen Substance Use & Coping

Tuesday, May 31, 2022 6–7:30 PM

Churchill High School Cafeteria, 1850 Bailey Hill Rd.

Spanish interpretation provided

Presenters:

#### Sadie Baratta, MPH

Substance Use Disorder Epidemiologist, PreventionLane at Lane County Public Health

&

#### **Dr. Cheryl Gifford**

Director of Mental Health, Serenity Lane

Hear from experts about the rise in youth substance use, recent changes in substances affecting public health, reasons youth use substances, and how you can intervene and support your child.







For more information contact: Angi Meyer meyer\_a@4j.lane.edu



## HOME SAFETY OPPORTUNITY

Wednesday, June 15, 8–10 AM Thursday, June 16, 4–6 PM

4J Education Center, SW Lot 200 N. Monroe St., Eugene

- Pick up a FREE lockbox for your handgun, rifle and/or medication.
- Get information and resources.
- Talk to experts in the field about home safety and how to reduce access to lethal means for self-harm.

For more information contact 4J Suicide Prevention Specialist Angi Meyer at meyer\_a@4j.lane.edu









#### Lockboxes



## Wrap

#### Team

#### **4J Welcome Center**

The 4J Family Welcome Center serves as a bilingual/bicultural liaison between the district, schools and families while maintaining cultural awareness, respect, and dignity.

The vision is to connect families to community resources, assist with basic needs, and assess and evaluate academic placement.



The mission of the welcome center is to serve marginalized and underserved 4J families and assist them with navigating the educational system and accessing resources.

The goal is to have a one-stop center for families to enroll their children in 4J and provide support to schools.

#### 4J CRITICAL INCIDENT STRESS MANAGEMENT (CISM) SESSION

CISM is an intervention protocol developed specifically for dealing with traumatic events. It allows those who have been impacted to share their experiences, process emotions, and receive referrals to additional help in a confidential, professionally-facilitated space. In response to recent student deaths by suicide, CISM is being offered to Eugene 4J School District Staff.

#### MONDAY JUNE 6, 2022 (IN-PERSON)

Time: 6:00 - 7:30 PM

Location: Lane Education Service District, 1200

State Hwy 99 N, Eugene, OR

#### **TUESDAY JUNE 7, 2022 (VIRTUAL)**

Time: 6:00 - 7:30 PM

**Zoom Link**: https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4848426773

Gift cards will be provided to staff who attend in recognition of their time and labor. Prior registration is not required. Please reach out to Del Quest at del.quest@lanecountyor.gov with any questions or requests.









#### CISMs for Staff

Critical Incident Stress Management



## Counselor QPR T4T





#### Oregon Healing Collective

Associate Marriage and Family Therapists:

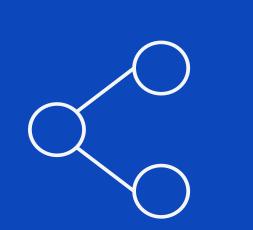
Maryanne Mueller, M.S.

Lauren Hval, M.S.



## Middle School Training





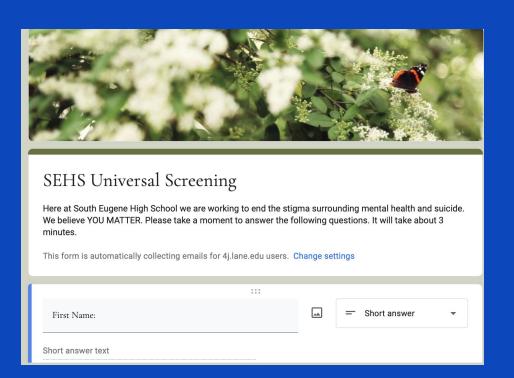
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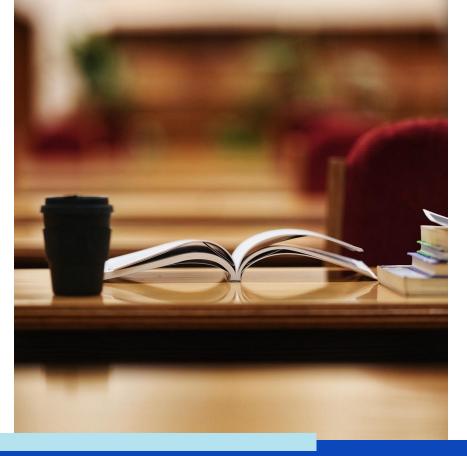
**Support neighboring schools** 



### Schoolwide

#### Screener

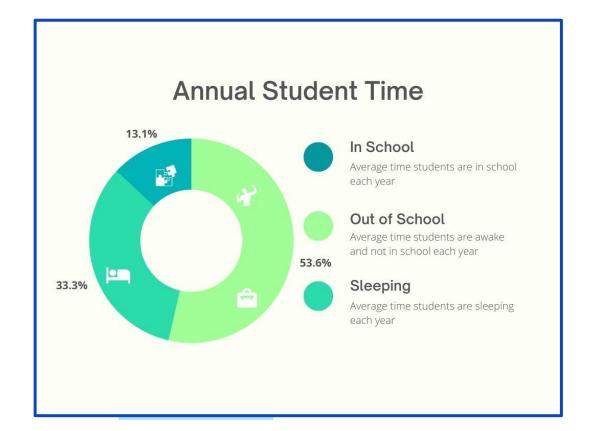




#### What we learned

- When crisis hits we fall back on our systems
- Schools do not know what they need
- Strategic communication is essential
- Parents need support
- Students need ongoing support
- Red Tape

# Intentionally invite community partners in



# Changes to the fall 2022 Postvention Response

4J Flight Team

**Ongoing Student Grief Support** 

Staff Processing

Grief books



#### Thank You

#### **Angi Meyer**

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- Suicide Prevention
- Behavioral Safety Assessment
- Substance Use/Misuse

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