

May 4, 2024

Dear Wall Township Community,

Our community recently learned of a medical occurrence that affected a family with children at Wall Intermediate School and West Belmar School. The District is working closely with local officials to stay abreast of the situation. We will communicate information when we can do so. Accuracy with reporting is essential to not create further stress for the family or anxiety in our children. We thank you in advance for your patience and understanding.

As a community, we have always demonstrated unwavering commitment, support, and compassion for our families, children, caretakers, and school staff. We will continue to offer guidance to navigate this difficult time. We will be providing counselor support for students and caretakers tomorrow, May 5, from 12:00- 2:00 PM at the Wall Municipal Building on 2700 Allaire Road. When challenging events impact members of our community, it is normal to experience a wide range of emotions. If you or your child would benefit from support in managing and understanding these emotions, we hope that you will attend.

Additionally, we invite you to visit the <u>Wall Township Public Schools Student Wellness</u> site on our <u>district website</u> for more resources. If you or your child require services and are unable to travel, the <u>Youth Helpline: 2nd Floor</u> and <u>NJ Hopeline</u> are excellent options for supportive listening, referrals, and discussions on safe options to manage feelings and emotions.

Sincerely,

Tracy Handerhan Superintendent of Schools Tiffany A. Steiner Director of Intervention Services and Student Wellness