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To SATEC Families,

As many families are now aware, we lost one of our students last week unexpectedly. AJ Holzscheiter was a senior at BFA and he attended SATEC for grades K-8. His sister, Katie, who is in college now, was also our student. AJ's mom, Andrea was active on the SATEC PTO and was a SATEC staff member for a number of years. Needless to say, AJ and his family have touched many lives in our school community and we have been devastated to learn of his passing.

Nothing affects a school community more than the loss of a young person. Such an event has significant impact and requires ongoing support for our students. We encourage parents to check in with your children about their well being and how they might need support processing this loss.

Our counseling staff is available along with NCSS staff to ensure that we are meeting the needs of our students. Do not hesitate to contact one of our counselors (see list below) if you find your child needs support or is struggling.

SATEC Counselors:

Amy Ward- award@maplerun.org, ext. 2683
Don Fagnant- dfagnant@maplerun.org, ext. 2708
Amanda Giroux- agiroux@maplerun.org, ext 2709
Erica DeBellis- edebellis@maplerun.org, ext. 2682
Brianne Heyer, NCSS Counselor- bheyer@maplerun.org, ext. 2684

We have attached to our website some resources that parents may find helpful when talking to your children about loss. If you would like a hard copy or advice in talking to your children please contact one of our counselors.

We appreciate the kindness, support, and compassion the community is providing for the affected families.

Sincerely.

Angela Stebbins Principal

Jason Therrien Assistant Principal