



EVERETT AREA HIGH SCHOOL

*One Renaissance Circle
Everett, Pennsylvania 15537-1406
Adam Whisel, High School Principal*

November 1, 2019

Dear Parent(s) or Guardian:

It is with sadness that we inform you of the death of a seventh grader in our school. The student died from injuries suffered in a tragic event, which occurred last evening. We respect the family and their right to privacy but also share great concern over our other students and the grieving process.

Due to the nature of the event and timing, we as the district feel obligated to inform you of the options available if your child is struggling during the weekend. The Bedford/Somerset crisis line can be reached at 1-866-611-6467, PA Crisis Textline at 741741, Local Emergency Room, and/or Local Church/Pastor.

Students will have varied reactions to the death of a peer. Any reaction is normal in the grief process and can range from withdrawal, to crying and anger. We encourage you to openly discuss with your child their reactions and feelings regarding the death of this student. Special counseling services have been made available to students today and will continue to be available Monday and longer, if needed.

If you think your child needs additional counseling support, please do not hesitate to contact the Middle/High Counseling Office at 814-652-9114 x1020.

Sincerely,

EASD Administration and Staff