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Dear Murrieta Valley Unified School District Families,

In an effort to provide your child with continuous school counseling supports during these challenging times, the school counselor is available to provide your child with a familiar contact that can ease their stress. Due to orders related to school closures, teleconferencing will be available for the remainder of the current academic school year. Modes of communication will be provided via phone and/or virtual face-to-face sessions. Your child's school counselors: Mary Davis (A-K & AVID) and Cari Young (L-Z) can be contacted via email: mdavis@murrieta.k12.ca.us / cyoung@murrieta.k12.ca.us or phone: Ms. Davis 951-304-1595 / Mrs. Young 951-304-1596 .

For your child to participate in virtual (Face-to-Face) school counseling, the following is required:

- An adult **MUST** be in the home for the duration of the teleconference.
- Your child must find an appropriate, quiet and private location to conduct a phone or virtual face-to-face meeting.
- Your child must be dressed appropriately.

I understand that all district employees and contractors are state mandated reporters of all known suspected child abuse or neglect. This means that all staff must, by law, report all suspected child abuse/neglect.

I understand that in the event of a crisis, I am to call 911.

I understand that the school counselor will continuously assess my child's needs and will make recommendations for referrals to additional supports when the needs are outside of their scope of practice.

I understand that there are risks and consequences associated with teleconferencing, including but not limited to, disruption of transmission by technology failures, interruption and/or breaches of confidentiality by unauthorized persons, and/or limited ability to respond to emergencies.

I understand that there will be no recording of the teleconferences by either party.

For your reference please review attached list of community resources and crisis help lines.

We value parental choice and a parent's right to be mutually supportive. As such, if you choose for your child not to participate in virtual school counseling, please contact your student's counselor.

Thank you for your continued support!