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December 18, 2024

Dear Parents and Guardians,

It is with great sadness that I send this communication to our Barracuda community. The mother of Connor Madden, a 10<sup>th</sup> grade Beachside High student, informed us that Connor has passed away. Our deepest sympathy and concern are with his entire family, close friends, classmates and teachers during this emotional time.

Beachside school counselors, in conjunction with district counselors are prepared to assist and support our students as they process this news. Counselors will be available in the school guidance office, during school hours, on both Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup> and Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. Should you have any specific concerns and need to reach our counselors, you can access their contact information at:

## https://www-bhs.stjohns.k12.fl.us/guidance/

Below are some physical signs of grief, as well as some credible resources to aid you in talking to your child at home.

## Signs of Grieving in Children and Adolescents

- Sadness, anxiety, chronic fatigue, anger, denial, shock, confusion, extended depression,
  changes in their normal behavioral functioning
- Inability to sleep, nightmares, loss of appetite, prolonged fear of being alone
- Frequent physical complaints such as stomachaches and headaches

We know that you will join us in extending sympathy to the Madden family during this extremely difficult time.
Sincerely,
Greg Bergamasco
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