



A DAY OF SERVICE AND LOVE COMMEMORATION

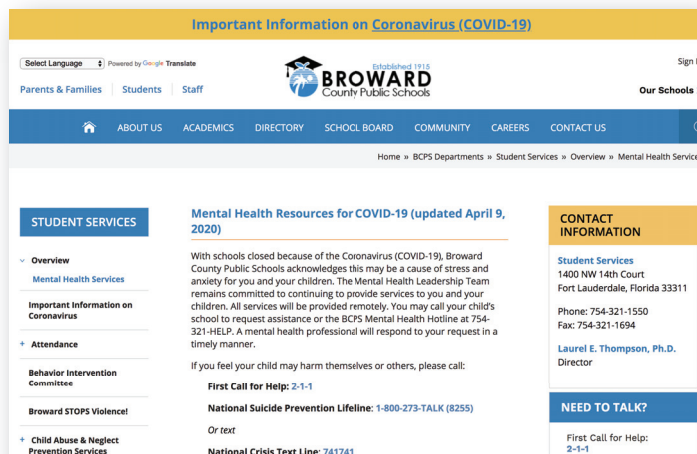
On Friday, February 14, 2020, Broward County Public Schools (BCPS) held, A Day of Service and Love in commemoration of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School tragedy. It was a day to give back to the community in honor of the 17 students and staff who were lost and those who were injured. At 10:17 a.m., the entire District observed a moment of silence to honor and remember. The community was also invited to observe the moment of silence.

As part of A Day of Service and Love students and staff took part in service projects and activities that served others within their schools and communities. The activities were supported by 123,517 of volunteers (i.e. students, staff, parents and businesses) in partnerships with HandsOn Broward, the city of Parkland, the city of Coral Springs and the Interfaith Council. The value impact and outcome of the donated volunteer service work was \$12,564,149.24* in just four hours across the entire District. Visit eduvison.tv/I?RtOtDt to view highlight video of spreading positive messages of hope, unity, preparation, and resiliency throughout the day.

BCPS continues to support our community, to help heal and recover, for the benefit of academic advancement and lifelong wellbeing. The annual Day of Service and Love was a component of our recovery strategy. Two-hundred and forty-seven (247) school sites across the District, volunteers completed projects such as mindfulness activities, creating self-care spaces, landscaping gardens, mural painting, celebrating our local first responders and feeding families in need. Several projects were funded by Volunteer Florida's Volunteer Generation Fund program, through the Corporation for National and Community Service. Students received community service hours for providing service to both their school and community as part of the Student Volunteer Service Program.

*The Independent Sector, a leadership forum for charities, foundations and corporate giving programs, calculated the value of a volunteer in 2018 at \$25.43 per hour.

MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES



Updated Mental Health Website

Visit the updated BCPS Mental Health Website at browardschools.com/mentalhealthservices for resources to help you and your family cope with the stresses of the COVID-19 pandemic. The resources include helpful information, internal and external links.



MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES CONTINUED

Mental Health Resources for COVID-19

With schools closed because of the Coronavirus (COVID-19), BCPS acknowledges this may be a cause of stress and anxiety for you and your children. The Mental Health Leadership Team remains committed to continuing to provide services to you and your children. All services will be provided remotely. You may call your child's school to request assistance or call the BCPS Mental Health Hotline at **754-321-HELP**. A mental health professional will respond to your request in a timely manner.

Remember, for mental health support services, please call 754-321-HELP.

If you feel your child is suffering from depressive symptoms or thinking about harming themselves, please call:

- **First Call for Help: 2-1-1**
- **National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: 1-800-273-TALK (8255)**
- **or text the National Crisis Text Line: 741741**

BCPS employs School Social Workers to support its schools, students, and parents. To find the assigned social worker for a specific school, please visit browardschools.com/page/35685. Scroll down to the bottom of the page for the School Social Worker finder tool shown to the right.

The screenshot shows a web page titled "Important Information on Coronavirus (COVID-19)". The navigation bar includes "Parents & Families", "Students", "Staff", and "Our Schools". The main content area is titled "CREATING PARTNERSHIPS" and lists various programs: SPARKS, MILITARY PERSONNEL AND FAMILIES, SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND ABEYANCE PROGRAM, TEEN/PARENT PROGRAM, and GRADUATE SOCIAL WORK INTERNS. Below this is a section titled "Find Your School Social Worker 2019/20" with a form containing dropdown menus for "School Name", "Zone", and "Assigned Social Worker", and a "Submit" button. A sidebar on the right lists several organizations, including the Children's Services Council of Broward County, Florida Association of School Social Workers (FASSW), BCPS Mental Health & Wellness Portal, Mental Health Association of Southeast Florida (MHA), National Alliance on Mental Health (NAMI), National Association of Social Workers (NASW), and School Social Work Association of America (SSWAA).

To find a professional therapist assigned to your child's school or innovation zone, please visit browardschools.com/page/34812 and scroll to the bottom of the page for the School Therapist Finder Tool shown to the right.

The screenshot shows a web page titled "Important Information on Coronavirus (COVID-19)". The navigation bar is the same as in the previous screenshot. The main content area lists services: Self-Esteem Issues, Stress Management, Substance Abuse, Separation / Divorce, and Study Skills. Below this is a section titled "Find your school's Therapist" with a form containing dropdown menus for "School Name" and "Innovation Zone", and a "Submit" button. Below the form is a box that says "Schedule an Appointment and/or Obtain Information" and "Contact the FCP Call Center at: 754-321-590". The footer includes the Broward Schools logo and a "SITE MAP" link.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Broward County Public Schools Coronavirus Information

For the latest BCPS updates regarding Coronavirus (COVID-19) and its impact on school closures, student academics and online instruction, please visit browardschools.com/coronavirus. Please note information is always changing and we will provide the latest updates as soon as possible.

For the latest **Meal Distribution Site list and information**, visit bit.ly/2JJUOxw.

To view an updated **School Year Calendar**, visit bit.ly/3aHweZZ.

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