



CREC Academy of Science and Innovation



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Greetings from CREC Magnet Schools! We are thrilled to be back “in school” and to work, once again, with you and your children. It has been an extremely stressful time for many of us and we look forward to getting back into the routine of our “new normal”. CREC recognizes that many of our students may be entering this school year with increased levels of anxiety or depression because of the COVID 19 pandemic. We are committed to doing everything we can to support our students social and emotional well-being.

We know that when students experience upsetting events, like a pandemic, it can make it difficult for them to be happy and healthy. We know that children who experience very upsetting events, like loss, abuse, neglect, accident or illness sometimes have strong physical and or emotional reactions to them and that these reactions may cause changes to how students think, act and feel at home and at school.

To that end, we will be asking all students in grades 6 – 12 a series of questions about experiences they have had and their feelings about them. The goal of this screening tool will be to identify which students may need more support from us in the school setting.

If you do not want your child to answer these questions, please contact Michelle Lopez, school social worker, at mlopez@crec.org or 860 -223-0726 ext.7621. Please leave a message with your request if unavailable.

If we do not hear back from you by September 14th, we will assume you are ok with involving your student with this screen.

Thank you for the privilege of working with your children and for choosing CREC magnet schools as their educational placement.

Sincerely yours,

Karen Mooney