

COMMUNITY FORUM

Please join Superintendent Geiser along with other School, Town and Police representatives for a Community Forum.

DATE: Monday, August 3, 2026

TIME: 4:00 pm

LOCATION: Town Hall Auditorium
455 Concord Avenue

REMOTE ACCESS WILL ALSO BE AVAILABLE:

JOIN ZOOM MEETING
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89006941103

WEBINAR ID: 890 06941103

Belmont Public Schools
Community Resources for Processing Difficult Events

The recent events involving a Belmont Public Schools (BPS) employee have affected many members of our community. BPS is committed to supporting the well-being of our students, families, staff, and community. The following resources are intended to provide guidance, trusted information, and access to additional support as we navigate this challenge together and organized to help students, families, staff, and community members find information, practical guidance, and support based on their individual needs and circumstances.

Immediate Support Resources

Resource	Description	Contact Information
Childhelp National Child Abuse Hotline	Free, confidential crisis intervention, information, support for children, parents, caregivers, and adults.	**Call or Text:** 1-800-4-A-CHILD https://www.childhelphotline.org
National Center for Missing & Exploited Children (NCMEC)	Prevention education, online safety resources, and reporting through the CyberTipline.	CyberTipline: https://report.cybertip.org Website: https://www.missingkids.org

Family & Caregiver Resources

Organization	What You'll Find	Website
National Child Traumatic Stress Network (NCTSN)	Talking with children after frightening events, trauma education, coping strategies, and age-specific guidance.	https://www.nctsn.org/resources
American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)	Information on childhood trauma, Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), parenting during stressful events, and building resilience.	https://www.aap.org/en/patient-care/national-center-for-relational-health-and-trauma-informed-care/
Sesame Workshop – Traumatic Experiences	Interactive activities, books, and videos to help children ages 1–6 understand feelings and build resilience.	https://sesameworkshop.org/topics/traumatic-experiences/
Kids Talk – The Guidance Center	Practical guidance on having developmentally appropriate conversations about difficult topics.	https://www.guidance-center.org/kids-talk/
Stop It Now!	Resources focused on preventing child sexual abuse, promoting healthy boundaries	https://www.stopitnow.org

Educator & School Staff Resources

Organization	Resources Available	Website
National Association of School Psychologists (NASP)	Trauma-informed practices, family resources, printable handouts, podcasts, and professional guidance.	https://www.nasponline.org/resources-and-publications/resources-and-podcasts
Center for Childhood Resilience Ann & Robert H. Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago	Child Trauma Toolkit for Educators, healing-centered school practices, and professional learning modules.	https://www.luriechildrens.org/en/specialties-conditions/center-for-childhood-resilience/

Learn more about childhood trauma and resilience:
American Academy of Pediatrics https://www.aap.org/en/patient-care/national-center-for-relational-health-and-trauma-informed-care/

Additional Mental Health & Community Resources

Organization	Resources	Website
National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)	Mental health education, family support, advocacy, and community resources.	https://www.nami.org
Mental Health America	Mental health information, wellness resources, and online screening tools.	https://mhanational.org
988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline	Free, confidential emotional support available 24 r/day	Call or Text **988** https://988lifeline.org

Belmont Public Schools Support Students and families may also connect with:

School Counselors
School Nurses
School Psychologists
Building Administrators
School Social Workers
Trusted Teachers and Other School Staff