Suicide Warning Signs

- Acting recklessly or engaging in risky activities—seemingly without thinking
- Feeling trapped
- Increasing alcohol or drug use
- Withdrawing from friends, family, and society
- Feeling anxious, agitated, unable to sleep or sleeping all the time
- Experiencing dramatic mood swings
- Having no sense of purpose in 1ife

Suicide Warning Signs

- Threatening to hurt or kill oneself or talking about wanting to hurt or kill
- Looking for ways to kill oneself by seeking access to firearms, available pills, or other means
- Talking or writing about death, dying, or suicide when these actions are out of the ordinary for the person
- Feeling hopeless
- Feeling rage or seeking revenge
- Talking about being a burden to
- Withdrawing or feeling isolated

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SUICIDE PREVENTION STRATEGIES



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Any threat of suicide must be taken seriously.

- Promptly refer the individual to the school principal or other personnel designated to handle such matters.
- ♦ If in physical contact, remain with the individual until the designated personnel is available.
- ♦ The principal or designated personnel shall promptly inform parents.
- ♦ Parents shall be informed of mental health agencies that are available to help.
- ♦ Students shall be released directly to parents by designated personnel.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- ♦ A suicide attempt is usually the last in a series of pleas for help.
- ♦ Most people who attempt suicide talk about it (post or write about it) before they take action.
- ♦ If someone is talking (posting or writing) about attempting suicide, it should always be taken seriously.
- ♦ A suicidal person does not usually intend to die, but it may be a plea for help. Recognition of the threat, and response to the person, is the best prevention strategy.

Law Enforcement:

480-782-4130 Chandler Police Gilbert Police Maricopa Co. Sheriff 602-876-1011

480-503-6500

SUICIDE PREVENTION LIFELINE:

1-800-273-8255 (1-800-273-TALK)

TEEN LIFELINE: 1-800-248-TEEN(8336) 602-248-TEEN(8336)

EMPACT: 1-800-784-2433 (National) 1-866-205-5229 (Arizona) 480-784-1500 (Maricopa Co.)