

Dear Parents,

It is with a heavy heart that I write to inform you of the passing of Julie Bragg, a beloved Program Administrator here at Keystone Elementary and Middle School Program. Julie bravely fought a courageous battle with cancer, demonstrating unwavering strength and resilience throughout her journey. Her passing is a profound loss to our school community, and we extend our deepest sympathies to all who knew and loved her.

Julie's presence among us was marked by her dedication, kindness, and unwavering commitment to her work. She approached every task with enthusiasm and professionalism, leaving an indelible mark on our team. Beyond her professional contributions, Julie was a friend to many of us, offering support, encouragement, and friendship without hesitation.

Though her time with us was cut short, Julie's impact will continue to resonate within our hearts and minds. Her courage in the face of adversity serves as an inspiration to us all, reminding us to approach each day with strength and determination.

As we grieve the loss of Julie, we recognize the impact this news may have on our students. We are committed to providing support and assistance to help them navigate through this difficult time. Our counselors and support staff will be available to offer guidance and comfort to any students who may need it.

We encourage you to have open and honest conversations with your children about Julie's passing, and we are here to support you in any way we can. Additionally, we will be sending out resources and information to assist you in supporting your child through the grieving process.

Our thoughts and deepest sympathies are with Julie's family and loved ones as they navigate this profound loss. May they find comfort in knowing that Julie's spirit lives on through the lives she touched and the memories she created.

We will be notifying your child of this loss with the support of our counselors and staff to ensure they are provided with the appropriate guidance and assistance. Individuals who might find themselves wanting or needing virtual grief support are welcome to reach out to Jordan Fox-Kemper, LICSW, Senior Manager of Trauma Response from Riverside Trauma Center at <u>jfoxkemper@riversidecc.org</u> to set up a session free of charge.

In the coming days, we will provide information regarding any arrangements or tributes planned in Julie's honor. In the meantime, let us come together as a community to celebrate her life and the profound impact she had on each of us.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to us if you have any questions or concerns. Together, as a school community, we will support one another through this difficult time.

With heartfelt condolences, John Demanche Executive Director

