

## The Brooklyn Schools

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Dear Parents and Staff Members,

Today our country experience yet another school shooting. This terrible act of violence in Uvalde, TX and our hearts go out to those who have been impacted. Fourteen children and one teacher have been killed, and as the news covers this story and the details of this incident unfold, please be aware of the feelings that you and your children/students will experience. These senseless acts of violence will likely stir up memories of other shootings and violent acts.

The anxiety that this may cause may be easily seen and felt for some and it may also build up and you may not see it immediately in yourself or your child. Please be patient with yourself and consider how this is, or might impact you and those you love.

I will share resources with you that you may find helpful as you find yourself asking how to address your own questions and anxiety or that your children or students you love. We are here to support you and care for one another. Please reach out to the school officials or counselors should you be experiencing any concerns or witness any students you may believe are experiencing stress or anxiety.

Our school counselors will be available, as they always are to you and the students. We will find ways to support each other and those who are impacted by violence locally and across the country.

Please know that we are here for each other and will do what we can to help others, I care about you and wish you a peaceful evening with those you love.

Sincerely, Patricia Buell