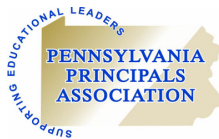


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Subject: Introducing our new Bronze Level Sponsor - The JED Foundation



HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Member:

The [Pennsylvania Principals Association](#), and [The Jed Foundation \(JED\)](#), a leading national nonprofit that protects emotional health and prevents suicide for teens and young adults, have teamed up to equip school system leaders with the evidence-based tools and resources they need to support student mental health.

This work will serve as a model for how schools and systems can be supported as they contend with the growing mental health needs of students, work to improve academic and social outcomes, and create safe, connected learning environments.

JED works directly with high schools and districts through [JED High School](#), a 24-month strategic partnership to create a culture of caring that protects student mental health, reduces substance misuse and prevents suicide. In partnership with JED, schools put in place systems, programs and policies that enhance social connectedness and positive school climate, deepen student life-skills programming, increase help-seeking behaviors, improve recognition and response to students at risk, promote well-being and access to mental health services, fortify crisis management procedures and create a safe school environment.

“We know that students across the country are in crisis, from the rising rates of depression, anxiety and suicides, to tragedies like the recent school shootings. And we know that schools are increasingly being asked to provide solutions, for which they need—and deserve—support,” said Dr. Eric Eshbach, Executive Director, PA Principals Association. “We welcome The JED Foundation as a Bronze Level Sponsor to help schools and districts support students, improve classrooms and benefit staff.”

“We are thrilled to work with PPA to help administrators strengthen their approaches to student wellbeing,” said Rebecca Benghiat, president and COO, JED. “When implementing a comprehensive approach to mental health with JED, school leaders equip students as they navigate life’s challenges, and create systems and a culture where struggling students are connected to mental health supports.”

JED is currently partnered with nearly 500 high schools, colleges, and universities nationwide including Drexel, Duquesne, St. Joseph's, PENN, and Pitt, reaching more than 5 million students nationwide.

For more information about JED High School, please visit jedfoundation.org/jed-high-school or email glenn@jedfoundation.org.

Sincerely,
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