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Dear Parents/Guardians:

East Lyme Public Schools continues to collaborate with the East Lyme Youth and Family Services Bureau and the Dagle Foundation to provide opportunities to increase awareness around mental health.

We wanted to share a <u>brief video presentation</u> that our high school students engaged in today with Dartmouth-Hitchcock Senior Director, External Affairs and Former New Hampshire Supreme Court Chief Justice John Broderick titled <u>"R.E.A.C.T"</u>. In his presentation, Mr. Broderick talks about his personal family story and the challenges of mental health and addiction.

The topic of mental health is one that impacts all of us on some level. We all lead very busy lives, but it's my hope you will consider hitting pause on your schedule tonight, October 20th, 2021, for one hour and join us for Mr. Broderick's 6:30 p.m. evening presentation in the high school auditorium. This is open to our community, and it's my hope I will see you there. Mr. Broderick's message is one of great importance, and I'm confident it will resonate with everyone who attends. Just a reminder that masks are required upon entry.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey R. Newton

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