

Evans River K-12 School

SUICIDE CRISIS MANAGEMENT

1. Assemble school crisis management team. Allocate roles and responsibilities and hand out script.

Senior Executive, SAM, Head Teacher Special Education, School Counsellor, Senior Psychologist Education (SPE), AEO (optional)

Principal & Senior Executive

- Document actions using Response Plan proforma
- Gather factual information: *parents, police, community*
- Gather and protect student belongings, YA or executive
- Identify peer group and/or specific individuals affected
- Inform DEL & relevant schools
- Contact & organise relief staff.

School Counsellor & Executive Staff

- Contact SPE and relevant community contacts
- Organise support of counselling team & resources
- Identify rooms & relevant resources (eg Library, Learning Support & Senior study for support staff)

SAM

- Provide script for office staff to use for phone calls/communication (inform SASS staff)
- Switch bell off
- Send email/letter (provided proforma)
- Identify absent students (inform senior exec) make contact.

2. Assemble all staff ⇔ students ⇔ inform parents

Inform staff

- Senior executive (library)
- Meet as whole staff
- Deliver script (senior executive)
- Provide information & support (EAPS, counsellor or other)
- Identify liaison person (Senior executive)

Inform students

- Year groups in designated locations (script provided) Year Advisor mentored (supported) by executive or counsellor or counselling team
- Refer to social media (role it plays)

Identified peer group

- Informed and supported to identified staff member and support staff

Inform parents

- Contact by phone parents of identified peer group (Principal)
- General letter/email to be sent (SAM)

3. MANAGE!!! & Review

- Debrief at end of each day for relevant time based on professional judgement (senior executive)
- If social media issues arise make contact with administration of the site (Police Liaison, Legal Branch DET and Media Unit)
- Students at risk “follow up” – identified by staff but referred to welfare team.