



# Smithtown Central School District

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**Mark Secaur, Ed.D.**  
Superintendent of Schools  
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Dear Smithtown School Community:

Our school community was greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Jeremy Andrews, a former High School East student, and our heartfelt condolences go out to his family, friends and the staff who worked with him. We will all miss him very much and grieve his loss.

Experiencing, witnessing, or even hearing of a traumatic, unexpected loss such as this may affect a child or adult in a variety of ways; therefore, it is very important that students and staff be given ample opportunities to ask questions and to talk about their reactions. For some students a death of someone they know may remind them of some other loss in their lives. For others, this may be their first encounter with death. You can find some information that may be useful to you in helping your child at home [HERE](#).

If you or someone you know is in need of Mental Health Support, please contact Kevin Colon, Administrator for Guidance at 631-382-2014 or email him at [kcolon@smithtown.k12.ny.us](mailto:kcolon@smithtown.k12.ny.us). You can also refer to the [Mental Health Resources](#) page found on our District website. An additional resource provided by SAMSHA found [HERE](#) may also be useful in navigating conversations around tragic events with your children.

We are deeply saddened by this loss to our school community and will make every effort to help you and your children as we navigate this together

Sincerely,

Mark Secaur, Ed. D.  
Superintendent