

Dear Fayette County Public School Families,

As the FCPS Community continues to mourn the loss of Manny Caulk, our servant superintendent, our focus continues to be student-centered. While many students may not have had a personal relationship with the superintendent, we know that his sudden passing may trigger anxiety or grief for them. This response may be particularly heightened due to the COVID-19 related uncertainty with which we are all faced at this time.

For your reference, we have [compiled information](#) that we hope you will find helpful in supporting children and youth through the grieving process. There is also a collection of emotional support and self-care resources for FCPS students, parents, and school staff at [this site](#).

Additionally, your student's school support team of counselors, FRYSC coordinators, mental health specialists, psychologists, and social workers will continue to be available to provide your student with any support they may need as we close out this semester. You may submit a request for help from your school's team at this [link](#).

The staff of Fayette County Public Schools will continue to serve our students and families as we grieve the loss of our leader. It is our hope that this great loss will serve as a catalyst for unity and renewed focus on our mission.

Sincerely,

Marlene Helm, Acting Superintendent