

# Student Wellness Series Eating Disorders

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1,600+ violent threats resolved



927 student lives saved



79% increase in domestic abuse incidents during the pandemic



61% increase in harassment incidents



2,400+ sexually explicit images involving minors



64,000 references to suicide and self-harm

## Suicide & Self-Harm: 2019-20 School Year



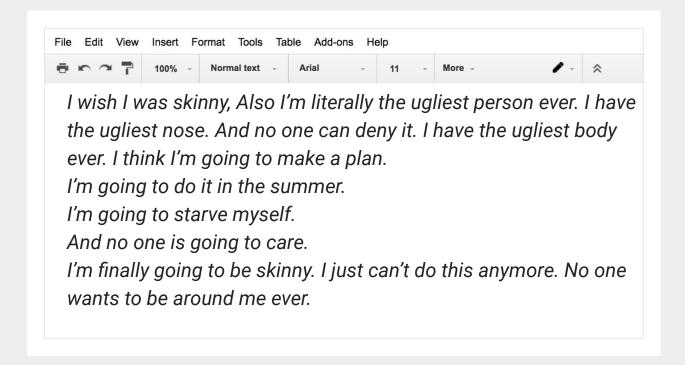
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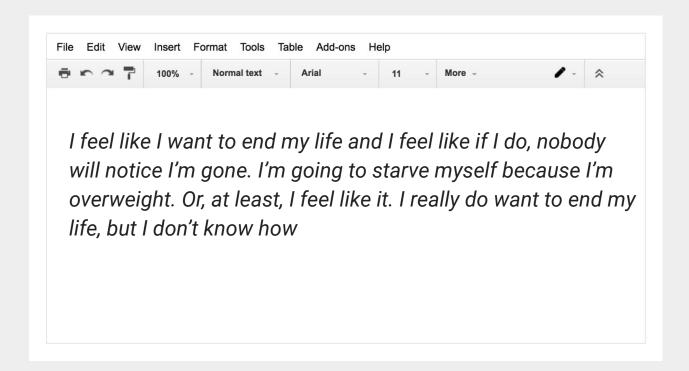


## Student's Journal Entry





## Student's "Note to Myself" Document



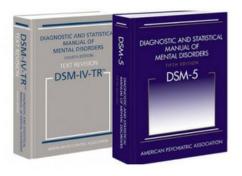


## **Disordered Eating:** DSM-5 Clarification

#### **DSM-5 Changes for Eating Disorders**

#### **DSM-IV-TR: Eating Disorders (EDs):**

- Anorexia nervosa (AN)
- Bulimia nervosa (BN)
- Eating disorder not otherwise specified (EDNOS)
- Separate chapter had disorders usually first diagnosed during infancy, childhood, or adolescence



#### DSM-5: Feeding and Eating Disorders (FED):

- Anorexia nervosa (AN)
- Bulimia nervosa (BN)
- Binge eating disorder (BED); in DSM-IV-TR appendix as provisional
- Other specified FED
- Unspecified FED
  - Avoidant/restrictive food intake disorder
  - Pica
  - Rumination disorder





#### **Anorexia**

Anorexia is characterized by a distorted body image, with an unwarranted fear of being overweight.

- 1. Restriction of food relative to requirements leading to a significantly low body weight.
- Intense fear of gaining weight or becoming fat, or persistent behavior that interferes with weight gain.
- Inaccurate perception of one's body weight or shape on self-evaluation, or persistent lack of recognition of the seriousness of the current low body weight.



#### **Bulimia**

Recurrent episodes of binge eating, characterized by the following:

- Eating an amount of food that is definitely larger than what most individuals would eat in a similar period of time under similar circumstances.
- 2. Sense of lack of control over eating during an episode.
- Recurrent inappropriate compensatory behavior to prevent weight gain, such as self-induced vomiting; misuse of laxatives, diuretics, or other medications; fasting; or excessive exercise.



#### **Binge Eating**

An episode of binge eating is characterized by the following:

- Eating an amount of food that is definitely more than the average person would eat in a similar period of time under similar circumstances.
- A feeling that one cannot stop eating or control what or how much one is eating.
- 3. Occurs, on average, at least once a week for three months.

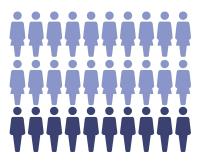


#### Orthorexia

Orthorexia is a form Avoidant Restrictive Food Intake Disorder (ARFID) that often has the following symptoms:

- Obsession with healthy eating.
- Perception of superiority for food control in comparison to others' diets.
- Extreme limitations in food choices, often avoiding entire food groups.





30 million individuals in the United States—20 million females and 10 million males—are diagnosed with an eating disorder.



Only one in 10 individuals
With an eating disorder will
ever receive treatment.



of girls in the first through third grades want to be thinner.



of 10-year-olds are afraid of being fat.



Hospital admissions for children under 12 with eating disorders has risen nearly 120% in the last decade.



of individuals who engage in binge and purge behaviors also engage in self-harm behaviors such as cutting.



## Why the Increase?



#### "Fatphobic" Media Messaging

- "Quarantine 15"
- Peloton
- TikTok messaging
- Instagram influencers



#### **Social Isolation**

- Lack of feedback
- Loss of confidence
- Self-focus
- Pandemic



### **Increased Anxiety**

- Generalized cultural anxiety
- Social justice reform
- Political stress
- Loss of control



## 3 Simple Strategies: Educate, Empower, Inspire



## Educate With Professional Trainings

- Knowledge brings power
- Warning signs to be mindful of
- Identify roles and processes



#### Empower Compassionate Conversations

- Destigmatize the issue
- Show empathy and compassion for struggle
- Recognize the genetic traits



## Inspire School Ambassadors and Leaders

- Create opportunities for group support
- Support campus hotlines/ reporting mechanisms
- Encourage staff to become campus ambassadors



# **Find Out** More



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## **Gaggle Virtual Events**

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#### **Gaggle Therapy**

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#### **Eating Disorders Resources**

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# **Questions** & Answers



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## What We're Seeing:

2019-20 School Year



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references of suicide or self-harm-5,600+
needed immediate
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38,000
references of violence
toward others—1,600+
warranted an immediate
call to prevent a
potential incident



instances of nudity or sexual content—2,400+ required immediate action to protect minors



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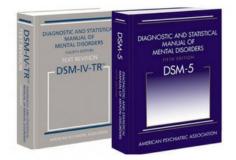


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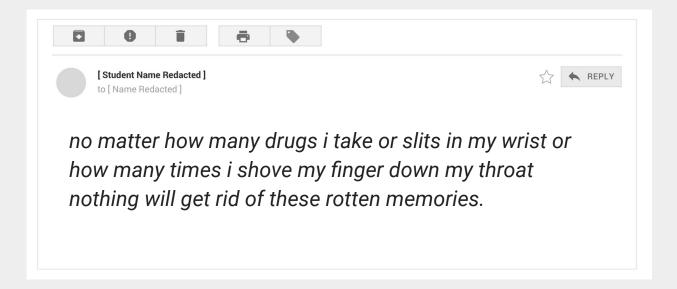


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