# MY WINTER BREAK WELLNESS PLAN

We recognize that while Winter Break can be a great opportunity for rest and recovery, it can also be a difficult time for students. Going home after living independently can feel challenging, and spending more time with family and old friends can be both wonderful and stressful. Use this worksheet to identify some wellness practices that will help you build resilience and handle stress as it comes over the break. Post it somewhere you will see often!

## SOURCES OF SUPPORT

Who can you contact for support when you are stressed?

Friends:

Family:

Professionals (counselor, doctor):

# FREE, ANONYMOUS, **CONFIDENTIAL RESOURCES**

Crisis Text Line: Text HOME to 741741

National Lifeline Phone Line: 1-800-273-8255

**Trevor Project:** thetrevorproject.org/get-help Supporting LGBTQ+ Youth. Text, phone, & chat options.

### SELF-CARE

Trying to be intentional about your self-care can help your stress levels. Circle the ideas below you think you could use over break, and fill in some of your own ideas!

Drink Enough Water Go for a Walk

Keep a Healthy Sleep Schedule Breaks Schedule for Me Time

Take a Coloring Break Keep a Gratitude List

Watch a Movie Take a Deep-Breathing Break

Set Boundaries Tell Yourself Positive with Family Affirmations

Keep a Journal Stretch Your Muscles

## POSITIVE COPING SKILLS

List some healthy ways that you deal with stress (examples: listen to music, coloring, go for a walk):

Sometimes, having places to go or people to call to distract yourself from stress can be helpful.

DISTRACTION

What are some **places** you can go during break for distraction (examples: take a walk, a coffee shop):

What are some **activities** you can use for distraction over break (examples: watch a movie, read a book):

Who are some people you could reach out to during break for distraction:

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