**MY WELLNESS PLAN FOR BREAK**

Holiday breaks and breaks between quarters can be a great opportunity for rest and recovery, but they 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 wellness practices to 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):

**DISTRACTION**

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

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:

**FREE 24/7 CRISIS RESOURCES**

988 National Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: Call or text 988

Crisis Text Line: Text HOME to 741741

Community Crisis Line: Call 1-800-584-3578

Trevor Project Preventing Suicide Among LGBTQ+ Youth: Call 1-866-488-7386 or text 678678

Trans Lifeline: 1-877-565-8860

Veterans Crisis Line: Call 988 then press 1 or text 838255

National Domestic Violence Hotline: Call 1-800-799-7233 or text START to 88788

Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Support Services of Whatcom County: Call 1-877-715-1563

**POSITIVE COPING SKILLS**

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

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**COUNSELING AND WELLNESS CENTER**

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SELF-CARE STRATEGIES

Being 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!

- Take a warm bath/shower
- Enjoy a cup of tea in your favorite mug
- Take a walk in nature
- Play a board game
- Call a friend or family member
- Keep a healthy sleep schedule
- Practice a hobby you enjoy
- Do yoga/gentle stretches
- Make a gift for someone
- Drink enough water
- Enjoy a TV show, movie, or podcast
- Journal/write for fun
- Read a book for pleasure
- Play with pets

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