



Kenwood Station Elementary

September 17, 2023

Dear Families,

I hope this letter finds you well, although I regret to inform you of some heartbreaking news. It is with a heavy heart that I share the tragic loss of Jake Luxemburger, a fifth grader, who died in a car accident on Saturday afternoon. Jake has attended Kenwood Station Elementary since he was in Kindergarten. Everyone who came in contact with Jake saw that he was a funny, sweet, and kind human. He never went without a smile on his face. He was easy to joke around with, charismatic, and stood out among his peers. Our school community is saddened by this great loss.

As we navigate through this painful period, let us remember to be there for one another, offering support, compassion, and understanding. You know your child best and their relationship to Jake. *Please take today to decide how to inform your child of this devastating news. Remember that grief affects each individual differently, and it is essential this news comes from you first to prepare your child for school tomorrow.*

The Oldham County district staff and counselors have been made available to all the staff and students at Kenwood Station who knew and loved Jake. We will have counselors in all 5th grade classrooms tomorrow morning to offer support. Please know they will continue to be available over the next few days for students and families as needed.

Let us keep Jake's family, his parents and sister, in our thoughts and prayers during this unimaginable time of grief. At this time we do not have details of how Jake's life will be celebrated, however, once arrangements have been made later this week, we will share with the 5th grade class.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to the school administration or our dedicated counselors. We are here for you.

- Jenn Crase, Principal, jenn.crase@oldham.kyschools.us
- Kelli McMullen, Counselor, kelli.mcmullen@oldham.kyschools.us
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May the memories of Jake forever remain in our hearts.

With deepest sympathy,

Jenn Crase, Principal

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