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- Educate students about teen depression
- Spread awareness of how to help a friend
- Lead students to a trusted adult/mental health professional (school counselor, social worker, nurse, etc.)

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#### Materials

- Instruction poster
- Fact footprints
- Mental health professional footprint Blank footprint
- Tape
- Scissors (optional)

#### Assembly

- 1. Print the fact footprints. There is also a blank footprint for you to customize with information about your school.
- 2. You can cut out the fact footprints or leave them as a whole sheet of paper.

#### Application

- Attach the Fact Foot prints to the walls leading to the mental health professional's office.
- Attach the mental health professional foot print to the door to their office. The mental health professional may want to have a bowl of lifesavers on their desk to encourage students to introduce themselves.



#### Let us know how the activity goes!

We'd love to hear from you or receive pictures or tag us on social media:





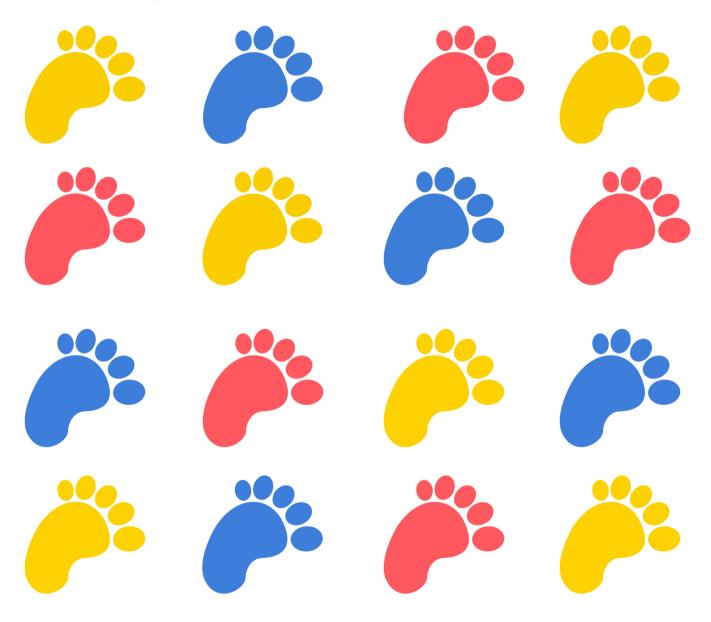




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### Have you seen the footprints around the school?

## **Follow the Footprints** to learn more about depression and get to know your school's mental health staff!



# For more information on mental health, check out www.ErikasLighthouse.org



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### Did you know ...

Healthy lifestyle choices can alleviate symptoms of depression. These include physical activity, good nutrition, and adequate sleep.

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### Did you know ...

Treatment for depression is available and effective, but more than 80% of people suffering from depression never receive treatment due to stigma.

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### Did you know ...

The best way to help a friend is to communicate:
1) The changes that you have noticed.
2) That you care.
3) Ask how you can help them take action toward seeking help.

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