

Tragedy at Michigan State University

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Dear GCCCD Community,

We were deeply saddened to learn of yet another mass shooting in a space of higher learning last night. A gunman shot and killed three Michigan State University students and injured another five, in a rampage on the East Lansing, Michigan campus.

We refuse to let the epidemic of mass shootings in our country become so routine that we tune them out. Sadly, so far this year, the U.S. has already seen at least 67 mass shootings, according to the <u>Gun Violence Archive</u>.

Our heavy hearts once again go out to the families and loved ones of those killed and injured at Michigan State, and the many other students who have been traumatized by this unspeakable act. We join those across the country in mourning more senseless loss of life.

At the Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District, we continue to make it our top priority to ensure a safe learning and work environment where all students and employees feel welcome.

Please take advantage of resources available to students and employees as we cope with this latest tragedy.

Resources Available for Students

Grossmont College

 Free mental health appointments are available at the Grossmont College Health and Wellness Center. Please call 619-644-7192 to schedule an appointment or visit the Health and Wellness Center webpage.

Cuyamaca College

Personal counseling is available at the Cuyamaca College Health and Wellness Center.
Please call 619-660-4200, email cuyamaca.pc@gcccd.edu or visit in person on the first floor of the Student Center. More information is also available through the Health and Wellness Center's Personal Counseling webpage.

Resources Available for Employees

• The <u>mental wellness and support page</u> on the District's website contains a variety of information and resources available to employees.

Please take care of yourselves, your families and each other.

Sincerely,

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