

Student Support is actively receiving referrals for Connect® Parent program, which will begin on the first week on January. Connect® is a free 10-week program to support parents of pre-teens and teens between the ages of 8-17. Parents meet in groups of 10-16 with two trained leaders for 1.5 hours each week. Connect® has been co-developed over the past ten years between the Maples Adolescent Treatment Centre and Simon Fraser University and focuses on the core components of secure attachment to promote social-emotional and behavioural adjustment. Connect® helps caregivers understand basic attachment concepts that can be applied across a broad range of situations and relational contexts.

We currently have three sessions planned for January—at DEC, Guildford Park and Lord Tweedsmuir secondary schools (pending minimum enrollment).

For further information please click [here](#) , view www.connectparentgroup.org or to refer a family, please contact Karen von Kanel at 604-495-9486 or email: vonkanel_k@surreyschools.ca

Thank you.