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**Press Release** 

## Rosemead School District Announces its Selection of Care Solace to Provide Additional Support for Students, Staff, and Families

**Rosemead, California**: The Rosemead School District announces its selection of Care Solace, an organization determined to calm the chaos of mental healthcare coordination to provide additional support for students, staff, and families in the areas of behavioral and mental healthcare referrals. Care Solace equips school districts with a web-based tool that makes it easier for students, families and staff to connect with mental healthcare resources and providers in their communities.

"The safety and well-being of our district community is of utmost importance. This includes socio-emotional well-being. We chose Care Solace for their commitment to support students and families with community-based resources. We are pleased to offer this service to our students, families, and staff members," said Alejandro Ruvalcaba, Superintendent at the Rosemead School District.

According to Child Trends, quick and easy access to evidence-based intervention offers the best opportunity to reduce the burden of economic and health costs associated with mental health disorders. Care Solace's care navigation system uses proprietary technology and the largest database of behavioral and mental healthcare resources in California to find carefully vetted local therapists and programs in minutes.

Families of the Rosemead School District will also have access to an around-the-clock Care Concierge team, where experts guide families through processes related to insurance, provider availability, wait times and scheduling.

"By partnering with a mission-driven school district like Rosemead School District, we're paving a new path forward to connect students to verified community-based resources in times of need. There are many barriers that make it difficult for schools and families to get mental healthcare. We want to lift that burden so they can focus on what's most important – getting well," said Chad Castruita, founder of Care Solace. "We couldn't be more proud to support the Rosemead School District in strengthening the wellbeing of their community."

Care Solace provides the network necessary to help faculty, students and families determine when support is needed, and assists in coordinating community-based mental healthcare options. In areas with limited access to behavioral and mental healthcare resources and providers, professional counseling is available through online therapy sessions. Last year alone, more than 80,000 school staff and parents used the pre-screening tool, and at least 30,000 students received mental healthcare services as a result. Care Solace has facilitated an estimated 4,000 crisis interventions. Care Solace is now available to Rosemead SD families and staff.

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## About the Rosemead School District

The Rosemead School District (RSD) was established in 1859 and is a Local Education Agency (LEA) led by Superintendent Mr. Alejandro Ruvalcaba. The District's education program includes students in preschool, transitional kindergarten, kindergarten, and grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup>. The Rosemead School District offers programs as follows and are not limited to: Full Day Kindergarten, English Language Development (ELD); Instrumental Music program (4<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grades); Student in Need program; State Preschool; Transitional Kindergarten; Before and Afterschool programs: K.S.A.R.T. (Kinder After School Recreational and Tutorial), A.S.A.R.T. (After School Recreational and Tutorial), A.S.E.S. (After School Education and Safety) program; Migrant Education Program; Gifted and Talented Program (GATE); Science Olympiad; Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID); Franklin Covey's Leader in Me<sup>®</sup> Program and 7-Habits<sup>®</sup>; Positive Behavior Intervention and Supports (PBIS); Migrant Education; and Special Education programs. For more information about the Rosemead School District, please visit <u>www.rosemead.k12.ca.us</u>. For more information about school educational programs, please contact the Educational Services Department at (626) 312-2900 x213.

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## **About Care Solace**

Care Solace is on a mission to calm the chaos associated with mental healthcare coordination for high school and college students. The organization's web-based system works alongside multitiered systems of support (MTSS) as a tool for school staff and families to connect with communitybased mental healthcare resources and providers. The proprietary care navigation system taps into a vast database of mental healthcare resources to find carefully vetted local therapists and programs in minutes. In 2019, more than 80,000 school staff and parents used the Care Solace pre-screening tool. At least 30,000 students received mental healthcare support as a result.