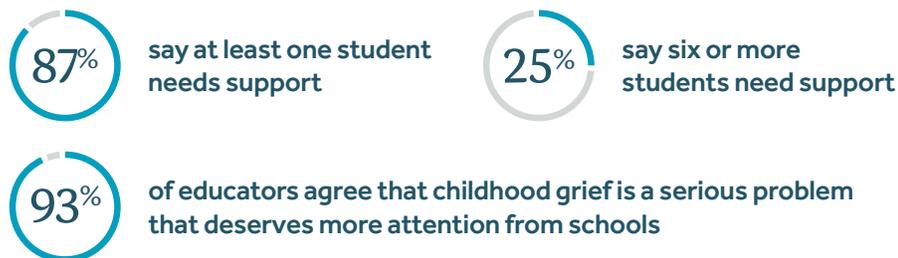


The state of grief support in schools



Grief in the classroom is an all-too-common occurrence

When educators were asked how many students each year typically need their support due to the loss of a loved one...



Here are some measures educators have found helpful in preparing a class to support a grieving classmate. These include:

1. Offer students guidance on how to support their grieving classmate
2. Offer a private, one-on-one conversation for students who have questions or concerns
3. Encourage students to reach out to their grieving classmate
4. Hold a class discussion about the death before the student returns to class
5. Devote class time to creating an expression of support for the grieving student
6. Seek input from the students about how the class can commemorate their classmate's loss
7. Utilize a grief-related book for class discussion or read a grief-related book for their class



Educators want to do more to help grieving students and recognize the importance of social-emotional support



Educators express strong interest in grief training

