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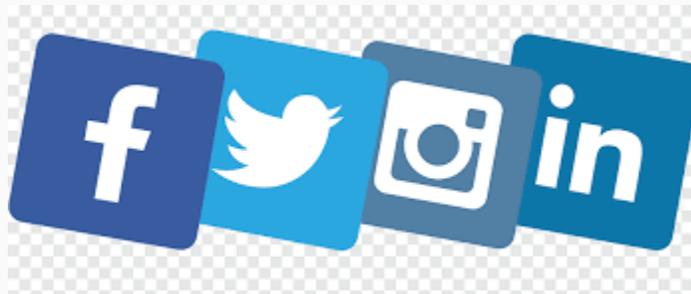
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Many network member agencies and partners are posting lots of great resources and information about navigating this time on social media. We have an opportunity to broaden the reach of these messages when we share content within our own personal and professional networks. We encourage you to follow the [Department of Family Services new](#) Facebook page. They have posted some great information about preventing ACEs over the last few weeks!

Additionally, the FCPS Social Work [@SWS\\_FCPS](#) and Psychology Departments [@FCPSPsychs](#) have been sharing great content on Twitter that will be of interest to anyone supporting children and youth at home or at work during this time.

Most of our non-profit partners are on social media as well. As we wrap up Child Abuse Prevention Month, we encourage you to check out [Court Appointed Special Advocates](#)

[\(CASA\)](#) and [SafeSpot Children's Advocacy Center](#) on Facebook.

You can follow the NCS Prevention Unit on Twitter [@ffxyouththrive](#) 😊

## Trauma Sensitive Schools during COVID-19

Members of the FCPS clinical team are currently offering virtual consultation to parents, and to middle and high school students. Learn more here: [FCPS Providing Mental Wellness Services to Students and Families](#)

Formed Families Forward has created **two short videos** to support parents and caregivers as they take on more responsibilities for supporting their children's learning at home.

[Helping Children Get Ready to Learn](#)

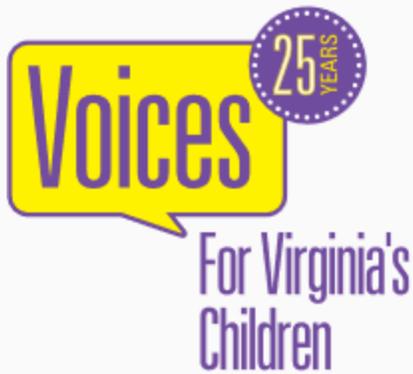
[Hints for Helping Your Child Learn at Home](#)

The FCPS Parent Resource Center recently posted a video on their YouTube channel of an [ACE Interface](#) presentation that Jenna White and two of our FCPS team members facilitated back in February. If you have not yet had a chance to see a [Building Resilient Communities and Understanding Adverse Childhood Experiences](#) presentation, we encourage you to check this version out.

We LOVE this resource from Teaching Tolerance:

[A Trauma-Informed Approach to Teaching Through Coronavirus](#)

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Our partners at [Voices for Virginia's Children](#) are closely monitoring the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on state and local budgets. Our own Mary Beth Testa posted a blog entry earlier this week about how to get involved in advocating for Child Care here in Fairfax. Other recent blog posts focus on the impact of the pandemic on the Child Welfare workforce, and other topics regularly raised in network meetings. As always, many thanks to Voices for keeping us all informed about issues affecting kids and families in Virginia!



## Agency Spotlight

The [Stronger Together- Supervised Visitation Program](#) was one of the recipients of our Trauma-Informed Spaces Mini-Grant program earlier this year. Learn more about the program and how they apply trauma-informed approaches to their work by following the above link to view their

recent feature on Channel 16. We look forward to sharing more about the transformation of their space in a future edition!

There is no shortage of innovation and creativity across our system right now. We heard one great example of this in our April meeting. JDRDC is utilizing their Family Counseling Unit, whose workload has shifted as a result of the pandemic, to stand-up a PEER SUPPORT PROGRAM FOR STAFF! Not meant to replace mental health or EAP services, this program taps into the skills of trained counselors, who are available to assist employees who are dealing with challenges directly related to the pandemic through reaching out, listening and encouraging action. Employees can request a private one-on-one telephonic or virtual meeting to discuss concerns, to seek solutions, and to process feelings and strategize around coping and self-care routines. Plans for pop-in group support sessions are

underway as well. We look forward to hearing more about the **How R U?** program as it gets up and running!



[It's not too late to order your Resilience Week merchandise!](#)

You can order adult and child short-sleeve tees, long-sleeve tees, and hoodies. Treat yourself and your loved ones to a wearable reminder of our community's resilience.

Please note, the Virginia TICNs are not profiting from sales. Your purchase will fully fund the cost of your merchandise.

The [VA Resilience Week Website](#) is continually being updated with materials being developed for the week. Visit the site regularly to access the Social Media Toolkit and the training/event calendar. Be on the lookout for daily messages from the TICN beginning on Thursday, April 30th with all of the information you will need to recognize the upcoming theme of the day. Please feel free to share materials

and to promote virtual trainings and events broadly within your networks.

For the latest information on the COVID-19 pandemic, and all of the ways that Fairfax County is providing **Assistance from a Distance**, please visit the county's COVID-19 page here: [FFX COVID-19 Page](#).

In particular, we would like to draw your attention to the new "Wellness Resources" section towards the bottom of the page. Be on the lookout early next week for another TICN Special Edition message focused on wellness. If you have resources that you would like to see included, send them our way!



2020 Meeting Dates:

**Tuesday, June 2nd- Virtual Meeting**  
**Details in Outlook invitation and above**

**Tuesday, August 4th**

**Tuesday, October 6th**

**Tuesday, December 1st**

When we are able to resume **in person** meetings, they will take place from 10:00-12:00 at a **NEW LOCATION for 2020**: the CSB Merrifield Center-Conference

Room 3-314.



**Questions?**

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