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**ELE'S PLACE TEAMS UP WITH SALINE HIGH SCHOOL  
TO CREATE AWARENESS OF CHILDREN'S GRIEF**

Ele's Place, a healing center for grieving children, is partnering with Saline High School to promote awareness of and support for grieving children and teens. **TACKLE CHILDREN'S GRIEF** is a week-long awareness campaign in the school, which will culminate with activities at the football game on **Friday, September 23, from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m.**

Ele's Place will host an information booth at the game with brochures, free t-shirts and other promotional items. **All attendees are encouraged to wear white t-shirts for a "white out" at the game, in support of grieving children and teens.** There will also be a balloon launch to honor grieving families, which will be led by the marching band director during half-time.

"It is critical for grieving children and teens to have support to help them cope with a significant loss," said Wendy Brightman. "Through peer support groups, Ele's Place helps them learn how to cope with a death of a parent, sibling or other loved one and begin to heal."

Founded in 1991 in Lansing, Ele's Place is a community based nonprofit in Ann Arbor that supports an average of 130 grieving children, teens and their families each week at no cost. Ele's Place also serves as a resource and referral agency for anyone who wants to help a grieving child. For more information, contact Ele's Place at (734) 929.6640, or visit [www.elesplace.org](http://www.elesplace.org).

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