# UC San Diego

**STUDENT HEALTH AND WELL-BEING** Counseling and Psychological Services



# GENTLE WITH SELF

- Drink enough water daily
- Journal
- Engage in a selfcompassion meditation
- Try to encourage yourself rather than criticize
- <u>Write/say affirmations</u>
- Write an encouraging letter to yourself
- Say no to an inconvenient request
- Meditate and deep breathing exercises
- Read a self-help or selfnurturing book
- Communicate needs/ feelings to a loved one
- Reflect on what you value & enjoy in life
- <u>Tips to manage grief</u> and loss
- <u>Develop good sleep</u> habits
- <u>Stress management</u> <u>strategies</u>
- <u>Mood management</u> <u>strategies</u>
- Find access to healthy <u>food options</u>

# G.R.A.P.E.S

# These elements help us to manage stress, practice healthy coping skills, and increase well-being to help us flourish!

#### RELAXATION

- **Remind yourself it is** okay & important to take a break and relax
- **Meditate and guided** imagery exercises
- **Progressive muscle** relaxation (PMR)
- **Grounding techniques**
- **iFlourish offerings:**
- Headspace, TAO, WellTrack, & more
- **Attend a free well-being** workshop at The Zone
- Qigong
- Acupuncture
- Identify 3 good things a day: <u>Gratitude journal</u>
- Write a poem, song, or story
- Take a break from social media/news
- Take a relaxing shower, bath, sauna, hot tub
- Massage
- Watch the sunrise/sunset
- Look at the stars
- Garden
- Go for a drive

#### ACCOMPLISHMENT

- Attend class
- Talk with a counselor
- Join a CAPS forum, workshop, or group
- Attend a new class online
- Cook a new recipe
- Learn a new skill, hobby, or language
- Do laundry
- Make your bed
- Clean, organize your space
- Repair things around your home
- Update your resume, • LinkedIn, etc.
- Delete old emails
- Focus on what is in your control
- Read that book you have been meaning to
  - Anti-racist reading list
  - NY Times bestsellers • Savor a favorite meal
- Pay bills and/or <u>create a</u> <u>budget</u>
- Donate clothes you no longer use
- Create a bucket list
- Set a goal to not have a goal- have time to yourself



### PLEASURE

#### • Read/audible a book

- for pleasure
- <u>Libby</u>
- Scribd
- Do a puzzle
- Go to dinner
- Get a massage or
  - haircut
- Go to a farmer's
  - market
- Listen to a well-being
  - podcast
- WatchTV, a movie, or
  - a documentary
- Listen to music, & dance!
- Stress management
  - and increasing life
  - satisfaction tips
- <u>50 ways to flourish</u>
- Art, <u>craft</u>, collage
- Journal
- write a poem, song,
  - story
- Live zoo cams
- <u>Visit a museum</u>
- Play cards, board games, video games

#### EXERCISE

- **UCSD Recreation**
- **Get Up Tritons**
- **Online workouts:** 
  - Koboko fitness
  - **Popsugar fitness** (closed captioning available)
  - Wheelchair fitness
  - Eyes-free fitness
- Walk
- Run
- MartialArts
- Kickboxing
- Weight lifting
- Hike
- Swim
- Dance
- Tennis
- Bike ride
- Surf
- Kayak
- Walk on the beach
- Yoga

# SOCIAL

- Find community <u>support</u>
- Go to lunch/coffee with a friend
- Join a student organization
- Attend a campus event
- Visit a new place with a friend
- Talk to someone in class
- Join a CAPS forum, workshop, or group
- Call/text a friend or family member
- Start a gratitude text with 3 of your friends/family members
- Plan a zoom date with friends/family that live out of town
- Send an email to someone you care about
- Write a gratitude letter to a past mentor
- Tell someone how you feel about them

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