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# Be There Golden Rules

## **1** Say what you see

Speak to the facts without making assumptions

I've noticed you haven't been coming to class lately.

#### 2 Show you care

Simply knowing someone cares and is there for you can make a huge difference. I care about you and I'm worried about what I've seen.

#### **3** Hear them out

Open up space for them to speak, ask questions, and validate their thoughts and feelings.

That sounds really frustrating.

#### 4 Check yourself

Remember that your goal is to support them, not to judge them or give unwanted advice.

Am I the right person to provide support at this time?

### 5 Connect them to help

Suggest they reach out to community supports or offer to go with them.

Have you considered talking to a school counsellor?