

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **Taking Charge of School Refusal Workshop**

**Princeton, NJ, — (Feb. 23, 2016) —** Two presenters will collaboratively co-lead, a free workshop, “Taking Charge of School Refusal,” at the Sage Day Princeton school on March 18, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Sage Day Princeton Clinical Director, Jennifer Smith, LCSW and Director of Sage In-District Services, Zack Schwartz, LCSW will be discussing the early signs of school refusal behavior (SRB), followed by common pitfalls in treating SRB and how to successfully transition students back to school. You can register for this workshop [here](#).

"I hope people will gain an appreciation for the collective efforts involved in effectively addressing school refusal behavior," said Schwartz. "To that end, the design of this workshop will be to provide practical information that can be directly applied by both professionals and families."

The Sage Day Schools have worked with school refusal students for more than 18 years in their lower and high schools. This workshop will continue to provide insight for school personnel, families and members of the community.

Smith added, "As a small, therapeutic school, Sage Day is uniquely equipped to work with SRB by providing consistent, and intensive individual, group, and family therapy sessions. Our staff is able to work with students as well as school personnel to develop individualized treatment plans focused on helping the student successfully transition back to the school setting."

Two professional credits will be offered to all workshop participants.

All questions regarding Sage Day Princeton and the admissions process can be directed to Clinical Director, Jennifer Smith, [jsmith1@sageday.com](mailto:jsmith1@sageday.com)

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#### **About Sage Day Schools:**

The Sage Day Schools are private, accredited, therapeutic schools located throughout New Jersey for students in grades 4 through 12 who need a small, personalized learning environment. Sage Day has four campuses: Sage Day Mahwah Lower & Middle School, Sage Day Rochelle Park High School, Sage Day Boonton High School and Sage Day Princeton Middle and High School. Academically, Sage Day has adopted the Common Core Standards initiative and meets the rigorous standards of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools Commissions on Elementary and Secondary Schools ([www.msa-cess.org/](http://www.msa-cess.org/)). We complement our strong academics with a comprehensive clinical program in which intensive individual; group and family therapy are fully integrated into the school curriculum. For more information, please visit [www.sageday.com](http://www.sageday.com).

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