SIGNS YOUR STAFF MAY BE EXPERIENCING 3 BURNOUT:

Increased absences or frequent mental health days

Noticeable changes in mood or engagement

Shorter patience with children, families, or coworkers

Expressing feelings of being "stuck," "unappreciated," or "overwhelmed"

Lower quality of classroom interactions or documentation

Withdrawal from team conversations or planning

Decline in creativity, energy, or willingness to try new ideas

HOW DIRECTORS CAN HELP (QUICK ACTIONS)



Check In Privately: Ask, "How are you doing really?"

Normalize Support: Encourage asking for help early

Protect Breaks: Ensure teachers get real downtime

Reduce Pressure: Reevaluate schedules & expectations

Build Connection: Foster a positive team culture

Listen First: Validate feelings before offering solutions

Small Shifts Make a Big Difference Healthy leadership creates healthy classrooms. A supported teacher is a teacher who stays.