



At Pickles Group, we know that having a parent or guardian with cancer can be a lonely, isolating experience. That's why our mission is to provide free peer-to-peer support and resources to kids affected by their parent or guardian's cancer. Pickles kids develop resilience, have fun with friends who get them, and heal along the way.

How do we do it? Our programs are designed by a leading therapist and Child Life Specialist and facilitated by trained volunteers. Our approach is grounded in behavioral science and research that shows that kids are more likely to thrive through their parent's cancer when we provide them with three things:

- Honest, age-appropriate information about cancer and grief
- Coping skills to help kids identify and process their feelings in healthy ways
- Connection with peers who share their lived experience



Parents, Caregivers, Friends & Family

Are you navigating a cancer diagnosis while caring for school-aged kids? Do you know someone who is?

We serve kids in 1st through 12th grade. Our virtual programs serve youth across the country, and our in-person programs are currently offered in Chicago. Contact us by phone or online to enroll or refer a family today.

We can't wait to meet you and welcome you into our community of peer support!

"Pickles gave her a place where she wasn't the "kid whose mom has cancer". At Pickles she finally felt that someone understood even though her friends had tried their best." - Pickles Group Parent



Health Care & Cancer Support Providers

Do your patients and clients have access to Pickles Group? Contact us today to become a referring partner, receive resources and brochures to help families through and beyond diagnosis, and to schedule a meeting about how to connect your clients with our programs.



Community, Faith Organizations & Schools

One out of every 20 children will experience their parent or caregiver's cancer. Pickles Group is here to support the families and children you serve through that cancer diagnosis and beyond. Contact us to become a referring partner and receive family support resources today!

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LEARN MORE ABOUT US

Kids supporting kids through and beyond their parent's cancer.



Our Team

Pickles Group is founded by three Chicagoland families affected by parental cancer, led by youth services and mental health experts, and advised by a team of cancer support, nonprofit, and community leaders.



Supporting Research

Pickles Group approach is grounded in evidence-based research and best practices. Read why honest conversations about cancer and grief, coping skills, and peer support work.



In the News

Pickles Group is working hard to make sure that every family navigating a parent or caretaker's cancer diagnosis can access support. Read more:

'It really is a game-changer': New nonprofit named after pickles works to support kids who have parents, caregivers with cancer, Chicago Tribune

What inspired a nonprofit that supports kids affected by parents' cancer diagnoses, UChicago News

New Chicago nonprofit helps kids with parents fighting cancer, Fox 32 News Chicago



Get Involved

Want to support Pickles Group? Visit our website to donate, volunteer, and help spread the word. Our growing nonprofit needs your help to serve families affected by a parent or caregiver's cancer at a time when they can benefit most!



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Empower

Connect

Pickles Group provides free peer-to-peer support and resources to youth affected by their parent or caregiver's cancer.



2022
Youth Programs

Sign Up Now!

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2022 Save the Date

Sundays with Pickles & Friends

Youth Program Calendar

MAR

 6th

 20th

APR

 3rd

 24th

MAY

 1st

 15th

JUN

 5th

 12th

JUL



Summer Break

AUG

 21st

SEP

 11th

 18th

OCT

 2nd

 16th

NOV

 20th

DEC

 4th

 18th

Details

 most meetings are from 4:00-5:30pm CT

 In-Person: Chicago Area- Contact for Locations

 Online on Zoom open to all families

 Special Family Event

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