

#### **ISOLATION**

Your teen suddenly spends all their time with their dating partner and distances themselves from friends.



## **LOSS OF INTEREST**

They lose interest in activities they used to enjoy.



# **EXCUSES & APOLOGIES**

They find themselves making excuses or apologizing for their partner's inappropriate behavior.



#### **PHYSICAL SIGNS**

Unexplained bruises or injuries start appearing, raising concern.



#### **EMOTIONAL CHANGES**

You notice a sudden change in their demeanor or self-confidence, particularly when they're around their dating partner.



# Steps You Can Take:



## LISTEN ATTENTIVELY

Show your support and express your concern. Accept what your teen tells you and avoid being judgemental or offering ultimatums, like forcing them to break up.



## **DEVELOP A PLAN OF ACTION TOGETHER**

Inform yourself about teen dating violence before offering advice. When you move forward, make sure your teen feels supported and empowered.