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Dear Parent/Guardian:

As a school system, we are committed to creating and sustaining a comprehensive, coordinated effort to improve the overall safety and well-being of our students, educators and administrators.

To do this, we believe this must involve community-wide programs and initiatives involving parents, teachers, administrators, local law enforcement, mental health & wellness professionals and elected officials to take meaningful action to protect our students.

Today, your child participated in a presentation on the “Safe2Say Something” (S2SS) anonymous reporting system that is being managed by the Pennsylvania Attorney General’s Office.

This program, which is mandated under PA State Law / Act 44, teaches students, teachers, and administrators how to recognize warning signs and signals, especially within social media, of individuals who may be a threat to themselves or others and *Say Something* to a trusted adult OR utilizing the “Safe2Say Something” anonymous reporting system.

Specifically, the program educates participants to:

- Recognize the signs and signals of at-risk behaviors – especially within social media
- Take every sign and signal seriously; act quickly to get help by talking to a trusted adult OR
- Report it anonymously through the S2SS Office of the Attorney General 24/7 Crisis Center, mobile app, or website
- Respond to and manage the submitted tip via a school-based multi-disciplinary educator and administrator teams
- Sustain the curriculum and awareness via student clubs, in-school activities and call-to-action weeks

Our students often are aware of the problems their peers are facing, so we must empower them to know the danger signs and give them the tools to help each other with the assistance of trained and caring adults. As you know, most conversations are taking place on social media, therefore it is critical that we teach our students to be looking out for one another as these digital conversations are taking place. S2SS teaches them what to look for in text, video and photos while empowering them to act quickly to help a fellow student. The “Safe2Say Anonymous

Reporting System” program is being provided through Sandy Hook Promise (SHP), a nationwide non-profit organization. SHP’s programs are in 50 states – with 10,000+ schools and over 5.5 million students and adults trained. They have a track record, reputation, and knowledge of how to work effectively with kids, parents, and teachers to improve school safety and culture. The program is age-appropriate and research-based.

We anticipate that the Safe2Say Anonymous Reporting System will help decrease school violence; reduce bullying and cyberbullying; help intervene with racial conflicts, and other violent and victimization acts.

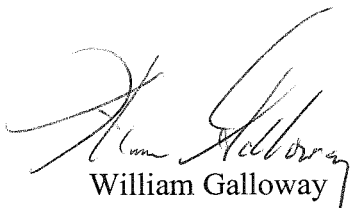
The students have received information on how to download the app to their smartphone devices and how to make an anonymous tip if needed through the app or website. I strongly encourage you to discuss this with your child and if you or your child have concerns or questions, to contact the school and speak to an administrator.

For more information, please visit the District website.

Sincerely,



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