

SAFE SAY TM

SOMETHING

PA ACT 44 / “Safe2Say Something

- In 2018, the General Assembly passed Act 44 mandating the establishment and use of the “Safe2Say Something” (S2SS) anonymous reporting system by every Pennsylvania school entity by January 14, 2019.
- A school safety program that teaches students, educators, and administrators how: (1) to recognize the signs and signals of individuals who may be at risk of hurting themselves or others and (2) to anonymously report this information through the S2SS app, website, or 24/7 Crisis Center Hotline.

WHAT IS SAFE 2 SAY SOMETHING

- One more way for our students to report concerns. Works to take every sign and signal seriously; act quickly to get help by talking to a trusted adult
- Provides an app, website, and 24/7 crisis telephone hotline for youth and adults to submit anonymous tips
- Provides training materials for grades 6-12 students and staff on how to recognize the signs and signals of at-risk behaviors - especially within social media

HOW IT WORKS

Step 1

Submit an anonymous tip

Call the tipline



1-844-SAF2SAY

Use the Website



www.safe2saypa.org



Use the mobile App
available for Apple and
Android devices

Step 2

All calls and tips received
by the 24/7 crisis center

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A crisis center analyst
receives and reviews tip
information

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The tip is triaged and
categorized as either life
safety or non-life safety

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The tip is then sent to
school officials and law
enforcement (as needed) via
text, email, and/or phone call
within seconds



Step 3

School officials & law
enforcement intervene and
help individual(s)

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School officials and law
enforcement (as needed) act
immediately to investigate,
assess, and intervene with
reported at-risk individuals

2

At-risk individuals receive
the help they need BEFORE
they ever get to the point of
hurting themselves or others

3

School officials report their
outcomes into the Safe2Say
Something platform and
close out the tip, ensuring
accountability for every tip
submitted

What are the anticipated reporting rates?

- Approximately 40-60% will be Life Safety Tips of which 10-15% will be very serious
- Suicide, suicide ideation, depression, anxiety, substance abuse, school violence, bullying/cyber-bullying and gang violence will likely be our top tip submissions
- Hoax or false claims are less than ½ of 1%

Important to Note

- This anonymous reporting system is just one way for students to report.
- Encourage our students to continue to report concerns to:
 - Parents
 - School personnel
 - Police
 - Pastors
 - Other trusted adults