

Superintendent  
**NEWSLETTER**

December 2



Dear Gull Lake Community School Families,

The tragic events that unfolded this week at Oxford Community Schools weigh heavy on our hearts. Our thoughts and prayers are with their school community during this challenging time.

Our District Crisis Team has compiled a list of resources for our families that provides ways to productively process what we are experiencing in the wake of the events at Oxford. We invite you to review these resources and take advantage of items you may find helpful.

The most important point to emphasize is that you feel empowered to talk with your student about our *OK2Say* program that allows students and families to report timely safety information or concerns to District administration and Law Enforcement anonymously. Our first priority is the safety and well-being of our students, staff and families, and the *OK2Say* program tools allow you and your student to be proactive in supporting and sustaining a safe and healthy learning environment for all. *OK2Say* is one of our most effective tools in promoting school safety and we strongly encourage you to review the tool kit and make it a part of your family routine.

- [Talking-to-children-about-violence-tips-for-parents-and-teachers](#)
- [Discussing Difficult Situations With Your Children - Family Resources \(pta.org\)](#)
- [OK2Say program](#)

In support,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Raphael Rittenhouse'.

Raphael Rittenhouse/Superintendent  
Gull Lake Community Schools

