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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Parkland School District will conduct the annual **Safe2Say Something** training for 6th-12th grade students during the week of October 21st, 2024. Students and staff will preview a video created by **Safe2Say Something**. The purpose of this annual training is to create basic awareness of the program.

In 2018, the Pennsylvania General Assembly passed Act 44 mandating the establishment and use of the "*Safe2Say Something*", an anonymous reporting system starting in every Pennsylvania school on January 14, 2019. The Office of the Attorney General (OAG) has established *Safe2Say Something* and will manage and maintain the program. The OAG, in partnership with Sandy Hook Promise hosts the *Safe2Say Something* App, website and PA-based 24/7 Crisis Center Hotline at 1-844-SAF2SAY.

Safe2Say Something is a school safety program that teaches students, educators, and administrators how: to recognize the signs and signals of individuals who may be at risk of hurting themselves or others; and to anonymously report this information through the **Safe2Say Something** App, website, or 24/7 Crisis Center Hotline.

The following provides an overview of how the program works in schools through 5 easy steps:

- 1. A tip can be submitted via mobile app, website, or by calling the PA based 24/7 Crisis Center.
- 2. The tip is then triaged by the Crisis Center to gather enough information to act on it.
- 3. The tip is delivered to the impacted school and as needed, local law enforcement via 911 County Dispatch.
- 4. The school will assess any at-risk individuals, and if needed, law enforcement will be included.
- 5. The school then closes out the tip and reports actions taken as a record for their school.

The Parkland School District Safety and Security Department webpage will host this information as well as the links to make a *Safe2Say Something* Report. Feel free to contact your building principal or myself with any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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