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**STATEMENT FROM TANGIPAHOA PARISH SCHOOL  
SUPERINTENDENT MELISSA M. STILLEY REGARDING  
FAMILY INVOLVEMENT IN PREVENTING FIGHTS**

We are deeply concerned about a recent uptick of fights occurring on some of our campuses involving physical altercations between students. The safety and well-being of our students are our top priorities, and we take this matter very seriously. While schools have taken immediate action to address the incidents, we also believe that family involvement is crucial in preventing such incidents.

Families can play a significant role in promoting positive behavior and conflict resolution skills among students. Listed below are several ways families can help prevent fights and promote a safe school environment:

1. **Communication:** Encourage open and honest communication with your child. Talk to them about the importance of peaceful conflict resolution and the consequences of violence.
2. **Set a Positive Example:** Children often learn by example. Model respectful behavior and demonstrate healthy ways to resolve conflicts in your own interactions.
3. **Monitor Media and Online Activity:** Be aware of the media content and online interactions of your child. Monitor their social media accounts and address any concerning behavior or content.
4. **Support School Policies:** Familiarize yourself with the school's code of conduct and policies regarding behavior. Support and reinforce these policies at home.
5. **Encourage Involvement:** Encourage your child to get involved in positive activities, such as sports, arts, or clubs that promote teamwork and cooperation.
6. **Seek Help if Needed:** If you notice any concerning behavior or signs of aggression in your child, seek help from a school counselor, mental health professional, or other appropriate resources.

We are committed to working together with families to create a safe and supportive environment for all students. We encourage families to actively participate in efforts to prevent violence and promote positive behavior among students.

Students and families can anonymously report concerns about potential conflicts between students and safety threats to the school through the P3 App or by calling 1-877-668-2421. [Click here](#) to learn more about the P3 APP. By working together we can eliminate violence in our community and schools. We will continue to monitor the situation closely and provide updates as necessary.

Thank you for your support and commitment in keeping our community and schools safe.