## Lawrence Township Early Learning Center Child Abuse Prevention

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Lawrence Township students are safe because they keep their hands and feet to themselves, and they have adults who help them stay safe.

### ASK FIRST to Keep Yourself Safe

- When you are safe, you feel like you're protected.
- When you are unsafe, you feel like you're in danger.
- Make choices that help you feel safe.
- Always ask your parent/guardian or the person in charge FIRST before you go somewhere, do something, or accept something from someone.
- Asking FIRST can keep you safe.

## Keeping Your Body Safe

- Private parts are the parts of your body covered by your swimming suit. These parts are private because they are not to be seen or touched by anyone, and you should not see or touch anyone else's.
- A person should never touch your private body parts except to keep you healthy (like a doctor or your parent).

## Good Touch, Bad Touch

There are different types of touches.

Good touches give you good feelings.

- A hug from a family member
- High five from your teacher
- Fist bump from a friend

Bad touches give you bad feelings.

- A kick by another student
- Pinching or slapping on the bottom
- Touching in a private area

#### It's a BAD TOUCH:

- If it hurts you.
- If someone touches you on your body where you don't want to be touched.
- If a person touches you in a way that makes you feel uncomfortable, scared, or nervous.
- If a person asks you not to tell anyone or threatens to hurt you if you tell.
- NEVER keep secrets about touching.

#### CHILD ABUSE

When a person by doing something (like pushing a kid down the stairs hard on purpose) or NOT doing something (like taking care of a kid when they're bleeding), causes injury, emotional hurt, or other serious harm to a child.

OR

Serious mistreatment of a child (treating a child very badly).

# If someone is hurting you-What should you do?

- Use your words to tell the person to STOP.
- Move away go someplace where you feel safe.
- Tell a trusted adult like a teacher or your parent.
- You are courageous. Tell as soon as possible, but it is important to tell, even if you tell later.
- Tell a trusted adult if you SEE someone being hurt.
- Instead of being a bystander, BE BRAVE and tell it's not tattling when someone needs help.
- What if a trusted adult is hurting you? Tell someone else, and keep telling!

## Exit Slip

- What is child abuse?
- Name 3 adults you could tell if someone is hurting you.

(Be sure to include an adult at your school)