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Dear Parents/Guardians:

New York State has mandated that school district's implement Erin's Law. This legislation requires all public schools to provide an age-appropriate curriculum to all students K-5 relating to sexual abuse prevention. This curriculum is designed to help students to identify potentially unsafe or confusing situations.

The school Social Workers will be presenting lessons to each class to meet the requirements of Erin's Law and will be discussing the following concepts:

- Ways to be safe, including but not limited to, distinguishing and responding to safe and unsafe touches
- Identifying trusted adults
- Safety rules, including "Say no, go to a safe place and tell a trusted adult"
- Safe and Unsafe Secrets

Through this program aimed at educating and empowering students, we want to provide your child with the knowledge and skills to use if ever affected by sexual abuse or an unsafe situation. We encourage parents/guardians to discuss this information with your child. For more information on Erin's Law, please visit <u>erinslaw.org</u>. There is a resource page for parents <u>here</u>. For additional information about the NYS standards visit <u>here</u>.

Please see the materials being presented below:

Lower Elementary Erin's Law Lesson

Upper Elementary Erin's Law Lesson

If you have any questions about the content of the program or timeline of implementation of the lessons, please contact your building principal.

Sincerely,
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