Hillsdale Local School District

SAVE Students Act (HB 123) Prevention Education
Parent/Guardian Opt-Out Form

Introduction:
Ohio House Bill 123, known as the SAVE Students Act, requires all Ohio school districts to provide annual, evidence-based instruction for students in grades 6–12 in three areas: suicide awareness and prevention, safety and violence prevention, social inclusion and mental wellness.

These lessons strengthen protective factors, support early identification of concerning behaviors, and promote overall student well-being. Schools are required to provide this instruction each year and to notify families in advance. Parents and guardians have the right to opt their student out of all components. Instruction will occur during the following time frame: 11/24/2025-11/25/2025

If you prefer that your child not participate in the required instruction, please complete the **opt-out section** below:

Student Information
Student Name: _____
Grade: _____

Parent/Guardian Information
Parent/Guardian Name (print): _____
Parent/Guardian Signature: _____
Date: _____

Opt-Out Selection
By submitting this form, I request that my child be excused from the SAVE Students Act instruction for the current school year.

☐ Opt-out of all SAVE Students Act instruction (all three topics)

I understand that:

- This opt-out applies only to the current school year.
- A new form must be submitted annually if I wish to continue opting out.
- If this form is not returned by the stated deadline, my child will participate in the programming as required by state law.

Please return this completed form to: Kendal Gable, Pre-6 School Counselor, kgable@hillsdalelocalschools.org, Scott Call, 7-12 School Counselor, scall@hillsdalelocalschools.org or return the form to the front office.

Deadline for submission: 11/21/2025

For questions about the curriculum or implementation, please contact:

Tim Keib, 7-12 Principal, tkeib@hillsdalelocalschools.org, 419-368-8600

Additional guidance is available from the Ohio Department of Education:
education.ohio.gov/Topics/Student-Supports/School-Wellness/Prevention-Education/Suicide-and-Violence-Prevention-Social-Inclusion