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DIRECTOR OF TECHNOLOGY

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Dear Tonawanda City School District Students, Staff and Families:

The Tonawanda City School District is committed to educating and advancing our efforts in the area of cybersecurity, cybercrime, and the dangers and exploitation of social media.

The New York Office of the State Comptroller recognizes October as National Cybersecurity Awareness Month. This is an annual effort that aims to highlight emerging challenges that exist in the world of cybersecurity today and provide straightforward, actionable guidance to support our students, families and staff in creating a safe and secure digital world. This work is continuous and of high importance and we value your partnership in working to keep our kids safe.

The district will continue to educate our staff and students using digital citizenship and cybersecurity resources as well as providing a safe learning environment through filtering and monitoring. There are also several resources available for parents and community members to use outside the classroom to educate, support, and increase awareness in these important areas.

Our district website has a page dedicated to internet safety located at:

https://www.tonawandacsd.org/page/internet-safety.

We have worked to add additional resources from the FBI at the bottom of this webpage to help bring more awareness to current threatening trends in the cyber world. Lastly, in partnership with NYSCATE/NYSED we also would like to share a page dedicated to online webinars for parents located at:

https://www.nyscate.org/page/new-parent-webinars.

Thank you for your support and partnership in keeping our students safe. If you have questions or would like more information, please feel free to contact Jessi Donner at (716)694-7685 or jdonner@tonacsd.org.

Sincerely,

Jessi L. Donner, Director of Technology