**School Safety**

Everyone plays a role in school safety. Students and adults at school work together to make our school a safe and supportive place. At TRA it is not OK to joke about hurting someone. Violence is never a solution to a personnel problem.

**Adults practice procedures to help our building be safe.**

* Security systems around doors. Secretaries ‘buzz’ people into the building and can see people on a TV screen, guests are expected to wear visitor badges
* Video cameras in the hallways and cafeteria
* TRA Crisis Response Team includes: administration, all counselors, head custodian, Mrs. Purce and Mr. Poyer. They meet to organize safety drills for severe storms, intruder, and fire.

**How students and adults work together.**

* There’s a difference between ‘reporting’ and tattling/gossiping. If someone actually hears a student talking about possibly hurting another students or destroying property, then that student should report that to an adult at school.
* Administration investigates (e.g. interviewing people, looking at tape from video cameras) each time anyone reports bullying or even potentially hurting someone.
* Follow the 4 Anti-bullying rules.
* Hold class meetings to encourage students to become aware of bullying and learn how to prevent and respond to bullying.
* Counselors are available to talk to students individually to help them learn how to express their feelings and ideas in manner that doesn’t hurt themselves or others. If a student is being hurt, then counselors will take steps to try to keep that student safe.
* Teach students alternatives to violence (e.g. building positive relationships with peers, peaceful ways to solve peer conflict)

**What adults can expect from students.**

* Report to an adult…don’t pass along gossip to a friend. If something could possibly hurt someone else, tell an adult instead of passing on the story to friend.
* Tell an adult if you see someone bullying another student or see someone destroying property.
* Understand that joking about hurting someone or playfully pretending to hurt someone is not OK.
* ‘Drop A Note’ so teachers know about problems happening at school.
* Follow the school rules.