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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Erin's Law, House Bill 6193 was signed by former Governor Pat Quinn on January 24, 2013. This law requires schools to implement an age-appropriate sexual assault and abuse awareness and prevention curriculum for grades pre-K through 12. For the past few years, we have provided this instruction through our social work team. This year we have the opportunity through our federal grants to contract with a highly sought after presenter, Victor Pacini.

Mr. Pacini is a survivor of sexual abuse, author and motivational speaker, and will be assisting our schools in implementing this mandate. Victor Pacini understands the delicate nature of abuse. His program is developmentally appropriate, interactive, and aligned with learning standards. He is a native to the area and has presented in front of over 950,000 students in numerous districts in Illinois and nationwide. Victor is respectfully known for designing engaging and entertaining presentations and products on the topics of confidence building, character building, goal setting, anti-bullying, and child abuse training. His ultimate goal is to help children and parents increase their knowledge and awareness about the topic of sexual abuse and domestic violence. He does this by delivering it from a fresh and positive perspective. This perspective skyrockets self-confidence and increases the parent-child connection without being disingenuous and insensitive. He has been endorsed by the Illinois and National PTA organizations. Other audiences have included the Cebrin Goodman Teen Institute, Kansas PTA, Indiana PTA, Abbott Labs, WINGS (Domestic Violence Agency), and schools all over the country.

The focus of his presentation is to teach children basic skills to keep them safe from dangerous or abusive situations. The concepts that will be discussed are:

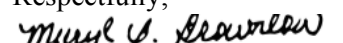
- Distinguishing safe from unsafe touches
- Safety rules at home and school
- Saying "NO"
- Safe/Unsafe Secrets
- It's not the child's fault if someone touches him or her
- Telling a trusted adult

Mr. Pacini will be presenting at Navajo and Independence on March 13, 2020 and at Chippewa on March 20, 2020. The Indian Hill Pre-K and Kindergarten students will continue to receive programming from our social worker, Mrs. O'Grady.

Please [click here to view a parent video](#) that provides an overview of the program.

Requests to Opt-Out: If you prefer that your child opt-out of this prevention education session, please submit your written request to your child's principal.

Respectfully,


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Superintendent