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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Indiana General Assembly recently passed legislation regarding child abuse instruction. Senate Enrolled Act 355 requires that by December 15, 2018, and each December 15 after annually will provide age-appropriate, research and evidence-based instruction on child abuse and child sexual abuse to students in Kindergarten through Grade 12.

The Logansport Community School Corporation elementary schools will be using the Protect Yourself Rules created by the nonprofit Barbara Sinatra Children's Center Foundation in conjunction with Wonder Media to fulfill this state requirement.

The program's main goal is to educate children about what to do when confronted with abusive behavior, safe and unsafe touches, going to a parent or another trusted adult if they are confronted in an unsafe situation, and that abuse is not their fault. An "Unsafe Touch" is defined as touching private parts of the body that would be covered by a bathing suit. Stranger safety, Internet safety and other situations will also be presented.

The program has been developed and scripted by child advocates, therapists, and national scholars and tested at various stages of development with students, teachers, school administrators, parents, and experts in the field of child abuse. The Protect Yourself Rules program can be viewed at fightchildabuse.org.

If you feel that your child should not participate in this program, please contact your school social worker to request an opt-out permission slip. If you have additional questions about the Protect Yourself Rules or the new legislative requirement, feel free to reach out to your school social worker listed below.

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Sincerely,

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