



Dear Parents/Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you and your family in good health and high spirits. As we strive to provide the best educational environment for our students, we believe it is essential to address critical issues that impact their well-being and safety. We wanted to take this opportunity to inform you about the requirements of the Safety and Violence Education Students (SAVE Students) Act or House Bill 123, which mandates specific instruction in social inclusion, violence prevention, and suicide prevention every year for students in grades 6-12.

Under HB123, students are required to receive one hour of instruction in social inclusion, one hour of instruction in violence prevention, and one hour of instruction in suicide prevention per school year in grades 6-12. These topics are crucial for fostering a safe and supportive learning environment, promoting positive relationships among students, and equipping them with the necessary knowledge and skills to navigate real-life challenges.

We understand that parents play a vital role in their child's education, and we value your partnership. We believe that by working together, we can create a community that prioritizes the well-being and success of all our students. However, we also recognize that each family has unique values, beliefs, and considerations. Therefore, as mandated by HB123, we want to ensure that parents have the right to make informed decisions regarding their child's participation in these activities.

Should you wish to opt your child out of the instruction on social inclusion, violence prevention, and suicide prevention, please sign below. We assure you that your decision will be respected, and appropriate alternative arrangements will be made for your child during these instructional hours. You may visit our website at www.tri-village.k12.oh.us for more information about HB 123.

While we respect your right to choose, we highly encourage all parents to carefully consider the importance of these topics in the development of well-rounded, compassionate, and resilient individuals. Our instructional programs have been thoughtfully designed to address age-appropriate concepts and engage students in meaningful discussions, ensuring their safety and emotional well-being. Furthermore, we are committed to maintaining open lines of communication and transparency with families regarding the content and methods of instruction related to

social inclusion, violence prevention, and suicide prevention. Should you have any questions, concerns, or require additional information, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child's administrator. We are here to support you and your child throughout this process.

Thank you for your continued trust and cooperation in creating a safe and nurturing educational environment for all our students. Together, we can empower our young learners with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed academically, socially, and emotionally.

Warm regards,

Shane Mead

Shane Mead, K-6 Principal

Lee Morris

Lee Morris, JH/HS Principal

Return ONLY IF you do **not** wish your child to participate in the HB 123 program

This MUST be received NO LATER than Wednesday, ***November 15, 2023.***

I _____ (parent/guardian) of _____ (student),
choose to opt my child out of HB 123 activities.

Signature _____

Date _____