



Anchorage School District

Education Center

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

This year the Anchorage School District curriculum will include the Alaska Safe Children's Act, a state mandated, age-appropriate sexual abuse/assault and dating violence/abuse awareness and prevention education program for students in grades K-12.

The focus of the lessons will be to empower students with the information and skills to protect themselves and seek help from the physical, psychological and emotional harm that can occur from abusive situations. To preview the K-12 quarterly lessons, please visit: <http://www.asdk12.org/healthpe/safechildrensact/>

ASD Prevention Tools

- **Climate** – Creating a safe and respectful learning environment, which is well managed, supportive, and engaging with active participation.
- **Direct instruction** – Using a variety of evidence based curricula and programs to deliberately teach about risk factors and healthy relationship skills.
- **Infusion** – Integrating social and emotional learning skills throughout the day and in all curriculum areas through modeling of instructional practices that promote SEL skill practice and maximize learning.
- **At home and community supports** – Developing awareness about available supports and resources outside of the school day.

Whenever a child feels hurt, threatened or frightened at school, we ask that he/she tell an adult immediately. If a student reports an unsafe situation from school to the parent at home, we ask that the parent notify the principal or child's teacher immediately. Please talk with your child about trusted adults at home, school and in the community with whom he or she can discuss safety issues.

The ASD recognizes that parents hold the primary responsibility for their child's education. If you have any questions about the content of the program or if you wish to inquire about opting out, please contact the school office.

We look forward to working together with you to help students learn to make the kinds of decisions that will keep them safe, healthy, and ready to meet the challenges of the future.

Sincerely,

Principal 



Nicholas J. Begich Middle School

Brian Singleton, Principal
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Dear Parent(s),

Begich Middle School will be teaching the 1st Quarter Personal Safety lesson between September 25th and October 19th, 2017 during 3rd period. The age-appropriate lesson will be presented in a non-threatening way, along with the skills needed for self-protection. The lesson content is part of the Anchorage School District's plan to enact the Alaska Safe Children's Act and will be handled in a sensitive, respectful manner.

For more information on the topic, please visit our website.

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Thank you for partnering with us as we continue to provide learning opportunities to improve the safety and well being of our students.


Sincerely,
Brian Singleton
Principal