



Dear Parents/Guardians,

January 8, 2018

We have some important information to share with you. Indiana Senate Bill 355 was passed in the spring 2017 state legislative session, and this bill requires all public schools in the state of Indiana to provide all children grades K-12 with child abuse education.

In response to this, Greenfield-Central Community School Corporation is pleased to partner with Kids Talk through Aspire Indiana to bring a program called *Body Boundaries* to all of our K-6th grade students. *Body Boundaries* is an evidenced-based prevention program for students that educates children on body safety and digital media safety. It teaches students what to do if faced with abuse, instructing children that they should tell a trusted adult if someone is harming them. This program is customized according to the cognitive abilities of children of all ages and is based on criteria determined by the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children and by the Gunderson National Child Protection Training Center.

At Maxwell Intermediate School, the *Body Boundaries* program will be presented in each classroom on January 22 and 24, 2018. Two trained social workers from Kids Talk with expertise in the area of child abuse prevention will present the program to all of our students. Trained mental health professionals will be on site at your child's school during the program to speak with any children who express safety concerns.

We invite you to a corporation-wide **informational parent night on Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the J.B. Stephens library.** Ms. Julie Coon, one of the presenters with Kids Talk, will provide a preview of the *Body Boundaries* program and answer any questions you might have regarding the presentation. We are inviting all parents to join us for this preview opportunity.

Although not required, each student's attendance in the program is strongly recommended. If you do not want your child to participate in *Body Boundaries*, you **MUST** complete an opt-out form. Please contact Scott Stroud, School Social Worker, for a copy of this form. **All opt-out forms must be returned to the school office no later than January 18, 2018.** Please direct any questions regarding the presentation to Scott Stroud at 317-326-3121 or sstroud@gcsc.k12.in.us.

To learn more about Kids Talk Body Boundaries program, please visit their website:
<http://www.aspireindiana.org/body-boundaries>

Thank you for your support in keeping the children of Greenfield-Central Community Schools safe.