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Dear Parent(s) and Guardian(s),

Safe2Say Something is a youth violence prevention program run by the Pennsylvania Office of the Attorney General. Safe2Say Something (S2SS) teaches youth how to recognize warning signs and signals, especially within social media, from individuals who may be a threat to themselves or others and to "say something" BEFORE it is too late.

All K-12 schools in Pennsylvania are required by state law to participate the Safe2Say Something program. The program requires our school district to train students in our junior and senior high schools how to utilize a 24/7 tip line, app, and website to submit anonymous tips regarding student and school safety. Tips are triaged by Analysts in the Office of the Attorney General Crisis Center. They triage each tip to ensure there is enough information to act upon, determine if the tip is life safety or non-life safety, as well as conduct on-going 2-way dialog with the tipster when needed. The crisis center sends all submissions to school administration and/or law enforcement for intervention. If needed, the crisis center may contact the tipster.

Trained administrators will serve on Big Beaver Falls Area School District's Safe2Say Team. Training and information will be provided to students at the junior and senior high schools. Students in our elementary schools will not be trained, but any student, parent, or community member is able to submit a tip using the Safe2Say Something reporting system.

On our District website, you will find the parent information provided by Safe2Say Something. In the coming weeks, we will also post a resource link. For additional information, you may also visit <https://www.safe2saypa.org/>.

Thank you for your cooperation as we work to ensure the safety of our students, families, schools, and community.

Sincerely,

Donna M. Nugent, Ed.D.

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