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Dear MASD Families:

We are excited to inform you that the MASD is participating in a new initiative meant to make our schools safer. Safe2Say Something, a partnership between Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General and all Pennsylvania school districts, is a 24/7 reporting system that allows students, staff and parents to send anonymous tips via phone, texts and online reporting.



Why was the program created?

The program was created as an easy and confidential way to report safety concerns and to help prevent violence and tragedies. The goal is to help youth and adults recognize warning signs and signals, especially within social media, from individuals who may be a threat to themselves or others.

How does it work?

Users can report safety concerns via:

1. Safe2Say Something tip line, 1-844-SAF2SAY
2. Safe2Say website (<https://www.safe2saypa.org/tip/>)
3. Safe2Say mobile app (<https://www.safe2saypa.org/download/>).

Submissions first go to a crisis center operated by the Attorney General's office. The center assesses the situations before notifying school administrations and/or law enforcement for potential intervention. If necessary, the crisis center may also contact a user anonymously through the mobile app.

What should be reported?

Tipsters should report threats and concerning behaviors or actions. Examples include but are not limited to bullying or intimidation, threats of self-harm, bragging about or planning an attack, violence, depression, social isolation, reckless behavior and substance abuse.

Is Safe2Say Something the only way to report concerns?

No. MASD wants students to respond quickly to safety concerns by telling a trusted adult or calling 911. The Safe2Say Something system simply provides another resource for preventing violence and protecting schools.

When will my child find out about it?

In the coming months, students and staff in grades 6-12 will be trained on recognizing behaviors of concern and how to report them. School Counselors will also have information available in their offices.

Where can I find additional information?

Information about Safe2Say Something can be found on the MASD Safety & Security Website at https://www.mbgasd.org/apps/pages/Safety_Security.

Thank you for partnering with us to continue to make MASD a safe place for our students to grow and learn!