Date: Monday, March 31, 2025 **TO**: All Parents and Guardians

REGARDING:

• Erin's Law Presentations

What is Erin's Law?

On January 24, 2013, Public Act 097-1147 became law. This law, also known as Erin's Law, requires public schools to provide sexual abuse prevention education for students in grades kindergarten through 12. We realize that this is a sensitive topic, but it is the law.

Who is Erin you might ask? Erin Merryn is an Illinois resident and survivor of child sexual abuse. She advocated for mandating that children receive prevention education in hopes of ending further child sexual abuse.

Erin's Law Presentations at Brook Park School APRIL 7-11, 2025

Our school social workers and school social work interns will give students age-appropriate Erin's Law lessons using the Fight Child Abuse Program, developed by the Barbara Sinatra Children's Center Foundation in conjunction with Wonder Media and the Joshua Center on Child Sexual Abuse at the University of Washington. You can learn more about the Fight Child Abuse Program here. Watch videos for kindergarten through third grade here. Watch videos for fourth and fifth grade here. (Please note: We will not be showing all of the videos to all of the grades.)

If you would prefer for your student to **NOT** attend the Erin's Law Presentations, there are Erin's Law Opt-Out forms available in both Blue and Gold offices.

Please do not hesitate to contact one of us if you have questions.

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