

Our mission is to develop children who are confident and creative learners. We provide a rigorous curriculum and a supportive school environment that promotes high achievement, encourages personal growth, and meets the unique needs of each child.

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Director of Student Services

Dear Parents/Guardians,

In 2013, Illinois passed *Erin's Law* (House Bill 6193), which requires all schools to provide age-appropriate lessons on sexual assault and abuse awareness and prevention for students in Pre-K through 12th grade. These lessons are designed to help children learn how to stay safe and protect themselves.

Victor Pacini, author, motivational speaker and founder of **Childhood Victories**, will be assisting our schools in implementing this mandate. The Childhood Victories' program is developmentally appropriate, interactive, and aligned with learning standards. The focus of this presentation is to teach children basic skills to keep them safe from dangerous or abusive situations. The concepts that will be discussed are:

- Distinguishing safe from unsafe touches,
- · Safety rules at home and school
- · Saying "NO"
- Safe/Unsafe Secrets
- It's not the child's fault if someone touches him or her
- Telling a trusted adult

**Childhood Victories** speakers will be presenting at our schools. The dates for the student presentations at each building are as follows:

- Monday, October 6, 2025: Stenson/Highland
- Tuesday, October 7, 2025: OOJH/ECC
- Wednesday, October 8, 2025: Devonshire

We will be hosting a parent informational evening with **Childhood Victories** to preview the information that will be shared with the students and answer any questions. The parent event will be held on **Monday, September 29, 2025 at 6pm- virtually.** 

Here is the google meets link information:

Childhood Victories Presentation Monday, September 29 · 6:00 – 7:00pm Time zone: A marica/Chicago

Time zone: America/Chicago Google Meet joining info

Video call link: Google Meets Link

Or dial: (US) +1 508-556-4420 PIN: 895 795 545#

Requests to Opt-Out: If you prefer that your child opt-out of this prevention education session, please complete the <u>curriculum objection form</u> and return to your principal.

Thank you, Elisa Leporini Director of Student Services