

Dear EJHS Parents and Students,

Our EJHS Staff is committed to taking responsibility for our students' welfare. *In Eagle Nation we are committed to the safety and welfare of all our students.* Every day, we intentionally model behavior we expect our students to exhibit, address behavior that is harmful to others, and acknowledge our students who show responsible, safe and respectful behaviors. *This is part of our school culture each and every day!*

We want our students to not only be academically prepared for their future but also socially equipped for life's challenges. We want our students to understand their social responsibilities to themselves and others.

Since the beginning of the year we have seen an increase in behaviors that have impacted student safety and well-being. Our Counseling Team is collaborating with our Administrators, School Resource Officer and PE Teachers to engage in a conversation about unwelcomed inappropriate physical contact, gestures, verbal comments which at times could be viewed as sexual harassment. Our intentions are to educate our students on what harassment is, how it happens, and what our students can do about it. By talking to our students about this topic, we hope to inform and equip them with skill sets which support healthy personal choices and continue to build a strong school culture at Evans Junior High.

Preventing harassment is everyone's responsibility. We want our students to know our Staff supports student advocacy, respectful behavior toward others, and will appropriately respond to any report of any type of harassment.

Our presentation will occur on Friday, October 21st, during all PE classes. Please contact our school counselors, Brian Duggins ([dugginsb@unit5.org](mailto:dugginsb@unit5.org)) or Sarah Crowder ([crowdes@unit5.org](mailto:crowdes@unit5.org)) if you have any questions.

We appreciate your support in continuing to build a safe and welcoming school environment for all of our students.

Administration, Guidance and Physical Education Staff