February 8, 2022

Dear Parents and/or Guardians,

We all share a common and critical goal for our children to be safe and protected from all things harmful. In support of this goal, elementary students in Fulton County Schools will soon receive annual lessons designed to increase their personal safety & protection. The *Think First & Stay Safe*™ program is a research-based program that teaches specific personal safety education by way of interactive classroom lessons, classroom posters, role-plays and corresponding activities. *Think First & Stay Safe*™ enables students to take an active and necessary role in protecting themselves from harassment, abduction, bullying, exploitation, and various forms of abuse (physical, sexual, emotional). The Health Advisory Committee reviewed and approved this program and selected components will be implemented as part of the elementary curriculum.

Due to the importance and sensitivity of this topic, you are being informed that this material will be presented to your child's class during the second semester of the 2021-22 school year. Please contact your child's School Counselor, Janelle Layton, at 470-254-9275 or by email at laytonj@fultonschools.org if you have any questions. The materials can be made available for preview if needed. *Think First & Stay Safe*™ prevention lessons will be implemented for all Fulton County Schools K-5 students, unless an opt-out form is returned.

You can also learn more about the detailed lesson plans and research behind this program at [www.childluresprevention.com](http://www.childluresprevention.com). Please be aware that more information is provided on the website than is actually used in Fulton County Schools. The plan for Fulton includes: key concepts taught at all grades; each grade reviews what was learned in the previous grade(s) and then builds upon that knowledge.

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| Key Concepts  | You can use your built-in computer and make safe choices. | People are like the weather. Most are safe, but they can change. | Lures are tricks used to get children away from safe adults and safe place. | Laws help protect children and there are adults who can help you. |
| Your instincts help keep you safe. | A stranger is someone you don’t know. | Someone may even use threats to trick you. | No one can take away your dignity. |

**If you prefer that your child NOT participate in the program, please sign below and return to your child’s teacher**. **Unless written opt-out documentation is received by February 24th your child will be a participant in the *Think First & Stay Safe*™ program.**

As always, our administration and counselor(s) are available to discuss any questions you may have about the *Think First & Stay Safe*™ curriculum.

Sincerely,

Janelle Layton

Dolvin Elementary School

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My child **MAY NOT** participate in the Think First Stay Safe program at Dolvin Elementary School.

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