

# Plainfield Community Consolidated School District 202

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

This year the Plainfield School District curriculum will include Erin's Law. In January 2013, the State of Illinois adopted Erin's Law. This law is a state-mandated, age-appropriate sexual abuse and assault awareness and prevention education program for students in Pre-K through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

It is estimated that one in four girls and one in six boys are sexually abused by the time they are eighteen. It is estimated that about 90% of the abusers are known to the child and include relatives, neighbors, babysitters, and family acquaintances.

In accordance with the law, our health classes will educate students on safe touches, unsafe touches, safe secrets, unsafe secrets, and how to get away and tell today. This program will also teach children to recognize child sexual abuse, equip them with skills to reduce their vulnerability and encourage them to report abuse.

Erin's law is addressed throughout our Health curriculum and can be found extensively in our Health textbook and online access. Violence Prevention also includes lessons on Understanding Violence, Violence Prevention, Abuse, and Preventing and Coping with Abuse.

For further information regarding Erin's Law please visit:

<https://www.isbe.net/Documents/erins-law-final0512.pdf#search=erin%27s%20law>

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the instruction of Erin's Law, please contact administration at your child's school.

Yours in education,

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