

Dear Parents or Guardians,

We are writing to provide further clarity around an important amendment made to Illinois School Code that will become effective July 1, 2022. [Public Act 102-0416](#) requires schools to include suicide prevention information on student identification cards (if provided), for students in grades 6-12. This recent legislation provides another layer of social, emotional, and behavioral support for our students.

Several key components of this legislation include:

- Student IDs must contain contact information for: The National Suicide Prevention Lifeline, the Crisis Text Line, and a state or local suicide prevention hotline.
- The contact information should identify which hotlines are available through text message.
- All contact information should be included in the student handbook.
- All contact information is to be included in student planner if a student planner is custom printed and distributed by the school.

When students receive their new identification cards, we will take the time to explain the contact information that is now found on the back of their ID. **(BELOW IS AN EXAMPLE OF SUGGESTED RESOURCES).**

You are not alone. If you or someone you know is experiencing a mental health crisis or need someone to talk to, there are people who care and who can help.

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: Call - 988

Crisis Text Line: Text "REACH" to 741 741

DuPage County Health Dept. Crisis Line: Call - 630-627-1700

Safe 2 Help: Text 72332

Students can also reach out to school support staff at any time with any concerns.

We will continue to talk to students about suicide awareness and prevention, through – **(INSERT EXAMPLES OF HOW YOUR SCHOOL IS ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE).**

If you have any further questions about this legislative amendment, please do not hesitate to **(INSERT CONTACT INFORMATION).**

Sincerely,