"October is National Bullying Prevention Month" Connect Ed Message

- Good Evening, Parents.
- Miami-Dade County Public Schools is committed to providing a safe learning environment for all students; recognizing that this is a shared responsibility.
- Bullying is not allowed in any of our schools.
- This message is to inform you that October is National Bullying Prevention Month.
- Our school will be recognizing National Bullying Prevention Month by asking all students to sign a Bullying Prevention Pledge; reading daily morning announcements to students about identifying and reporting bullying; and

- A very important way that we can be sure that our school is safe is that each of us knows about our ANONYMOUS REPORTING SYSTEM called **BE SAFE**.
- The **BE SAFE** reporting system will allow you to make anonymous reports about any school safety issues without ever giving your name.
- You can TEXT your report.
- Using cell phones, a text message is sent to 274637 (CRIMES) with the text message beginning with the keyword "BESAFE"; followed by the anonymous tip.
- What information should be included in your anonymous tip?
 - ✓ Who: Who is the person you are reporting or concerned about?

 What is their name?
 - ✓ What: What have they done or are they threatening to do that concerns you?
 - ✓ When: When did this happen or is it supposed to happen?
 - ✓ Where: Where did it take place or will it take place? What school do they
 go to?
- You can also always call in your report. Just call School Police at 305-995-COPS.
- Or you can fill out a report on-line.
- Just go to www.besafe.dadeschools.net and complete an anonymous reporting form.
- This is all done anonymously! No one will ever know your name.
- As our partner in your child's education, we ask that you support our efforts by reinforcing the message with your child that bullying is not an acceptable behavior.
- Thank You and Have a Nice Evening.

Bullying Prevention Pledge

School safety is a shared responsibility.

Bullying is not allowed at our school.

Bullying can include teasing, social exclusion, threats, intimidation, stalking, physical violence, theft, sexual, religious or racial harassment, public humiliation, destruction of property, cyber stalking or cyber bullying.

I pledge to not bully any other students and will help stop bullying when I see it by reporting it immediately.

Student Signature

Miami-Dade County Public Schools