

# WORTH SCHOOL DISTRICT 127

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May 2, 2019

Dear Parents:

I am writing to you about the upcoming presentations, mandated by Erin's Law, which have been scheduled for all students in grades Kindergarten through 8 in our district. As we have written to you in past letters, Erin's Law, House Bill 6193, was signed by Governor Pat Quinn on January 24, 2013. This law requires schools to implement an age-appropriate sexual assault and abuse awareness and prevention curriculum.

This year, we have employed a highly skilled speaker and consultant, Victor Pacini, to assist us in delivering this curriculum to our students. In the fall of 2018, Victor presented a training workshop to all of our teachers and he was very well received by our staff. We have provided two parent nights for our parents to learn about Victor's student presentations, and we have placed a video on our website for parents who were not able to attend our parent nights. This video gives parents an opportunity to learn more about the way Victor handles this very sensitive content with students of various ages.

Mr. Pacini's program is developmentally appropriate, interactive, and aligned with learning standards. The focus of his presentation is to teach children basic skills to keep them safe from dangerous or abusive situations.

The concepts that will be discussed are:

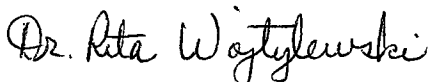
- Distinguishing safe from unsafe touches
- Safety rules at home and school
- Saying "NO"
- Safe/Unsafe Secrets
- It's not the child's fault if someone touches him or her
- Telling a trusted adult

Mr. Pacini will be presenting at our schools. The dates for the student presentations at each school building are as follows:

**Worthwoods School            May 13, 2019**  
**Worth Junior High School   May 14, 2019**  
**Worth Elementary School   May 15, 2019**

Illinois law permits parent(s) to make an "Opt-Out Request" if the parent(s) do not want their child or children to participate in this prevention education program. The purpose of this program is to equip students with the personal tools that they need to be safe and respond to situations that could be considered dangerous or abusive. We have enclosed a form that should be returned to the school principal of the school that the student attends in the case that a parent does not want the student to attend Mr. Pacini's presentation. This form is due to the school principal by Friday, May 10, 2019. If a parent/guardian does not submit this opt-out form for a student, the student will participate in the program. If you have any questions about the Erin's Law presentations, please contact your school principal.

Sincerely,



Rita Wojtylewski, Ph.D.  
Superintendent  
Worth School District 127

**Opt-Out Form**  
**Erin's Law Presentation by Mr. Victor Pacini**

Please sign this form **ONLY** if you do not want your child to participate in this program.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_

I do NOT want my child named above to participate in the sexual abuse awareness and prevention program (Erin's Law) that will be presented by Mr. Victor Pacini in Worth School District 127.

Parent/Guardian Name (Please Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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