

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 school teachers and counselors will soon present annual lessons to students designed to increase their personal safety and 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 through the elementary health curriculum by teachers and schools counselors.

Due to the importance of this topic, I want you to know when and how you may preview *Think First & Stay Safe™* materials and when classroom teachers/counselors will be presenting this information to your child's class. Please contact your child's teacher or counselor, Katie Dewey at 470-254-9515 to schedule a preview or if you have any questions. The *Think First & Stay Safe* lessons will be implemented on February 10, 2020.

You can also learn more about the detailed lesson plans and research behind this program at 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: the key concepts taught at all grade levels; each grade reviews what was learned in the previous grade(s) and then learns additional lures or tricks. Specifics are provided below:

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.
K	Review key concepts	Pet Lure	Name Lure	
1 st	Review key concepts	Assistance Lure	Fun & Games Lure	Affection Lure
2 nd	Review key concepts	Bribery Lure	Friendship Lure	
3 rd	Review key concepts	Emergency Lure	Authority Lure	Hero Lure
4 th	Review key concepts	Job Lure	Ego/Fame Lure	Online Lure
5 th	Review key concepts	Review All Lures	Video – Luring: What would you do?	

If you prefer that your child not participate in the *Think First & Stay Safe™* program, please sign the below and send it to your child's teacher or school counselor. As always, our administration and counselor are available to discuss any questions you may have about the *Think First & Stay Safe™* curriculum. Unless written opt out documentation is received by **February 3, 2020**, your child will participate in the *Think First & Stay Safe™* program.

Sincerely,

Dr. Hardray Dumas
School Principal

My child may not participate in the Think First and Stay Safe program at Hillside Elementary.

Student Name: _____ Teacher: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____