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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Illinois School Code requires school districts to provide age-appropriate instruction, beginning in pre-K, on the topic of sexual assault and abuse prevention. This curricular mandate is known as “Erin’s Law.”

In compliance with the law, District 64 addresses this topic through its *Great Body Shop* curriculum, published by the Children’s Health Market Inc. At each grade, the curriculum presents the topic in a developmentally appropriate and sensitive manner while covering such concepts as “body privacy” and “safe” versus “unsafe touches.”

The topic will be covered at a time determined by your child’s teacher or the grade level teacher team at your school. Teachers will notify parents before instruction on the topic begins. For your information, you may arrange to preview instructional materials used to teach this or any sensitive health topic. You may request a preview by contacting one of us at the email addresses shown below.

District 64 recognizes that parents hold the primary responsibility for their child’s education. As parents, you may elect to excuse your child from instruction on this or any sensitive health topic. If you choose this option, please submit a written request to the building principal.

Sincerely,

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