

Eustis School Department

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The Department of Education has mandated schools to provide a model policy that addresses child sexual abuse prevention. This is multi-faceted, in that there is mandatory training for all staff members, curriculum programming for Pre-K-5th grade students and mandated reporting procedures when there is a suspicion of child sexual abuse.

Stratton School has partnered with Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Services (SAPARS) in providing The Healthy Relationship Project curriculum since 2016 for all of our students which meets the state mandate. Next week Stephanie Harmon and Paula Murray from SAPARS will begin working with Pre-K through Grade 2 on the Care For Kids program. The lessons will center around asking for help, feelings, bodies, babies and asking permission. Each unit teaches and reinforces simple and age-appropriate messages through circles time, books, and crafts. The activities are designed to compliment the fact that children of this age group learn naturally through play. Information is presented in a matter of fact way using anatomically correct language.

If there are any questions or concerns about this program, please feel free to contact me. I am happy to discuss the program with you and provide you with an outline of The Care For Kids program. Additional information on Health Education can be found on-line in the Student Handbook. If you are interested in the mandate please look up L.D. 1180 for a full description. The school's policy on Child Sexual Abuse Prevention is available as well upon request.

Sincerely,
Andrea Osganian, LSW
School Social Worker



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