

Dear parents/guardians,

Our class will soon begin an abduction prevention program called KidSmartz®. This program was created by the child safety experts at the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children® in partnership with Honeywell. Through a series of discussions, activities and role-playing exercises, your child will learn how to recognize potentially dangerous situations and use self-protection strategies.

All KidSmartz lessons revolve around these FOUR RULES:



I will always CHECK FIRST with my parent, guardian or other trusted adult before going anywhere, helping anyone, accepting anything or getting into a car.

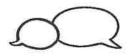




I will TAKE A FRIEND with me when going places or playing outside.



I will **TELL PEOPLE "NO"** if they try to touch me or hurt me. It's OK for me to stand up for myself.



I will TELL MY TRUSTED ADULT if anything makes me feel sad, scared or confused.

Parent involvement is an important part of the KidSmartz program. Safety lessons work best when they are reinforced both in the classroom and at home, so you will notice your child bringing home assignments that should be completed with your help. I also strongly encourage you to visit KidSmartz.org where you will find information about abduction, tips for protecting your child and activities you can do at home.

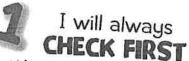
If you have any questions about the KidSmartz program or would like to learn more about the lessons we will be teaching, please feel free to contact me. I am very excited to be working with your child on this program, and I hope you understand just how important your participation is. No one is better able to protect your child than you!

Thank you,

Kristine Winkelmann



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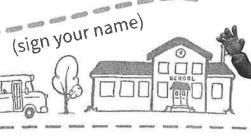
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