Safe2Tell Middle and High School Classroom Discussion Guide

The following questions and activities are designed to supplement the four minute Safe2Tell Student Video for Middle and High Schools. The questions are meant to spark thoughtful discussions in your classroom about the role of the bystander in keeping schools and communities safe. The Safe2Tell Student Video for Middle and High School Students may be accessed at https://safe2tell.org/student-education-toolkit

Please make sure that your students are aware of Safe2Tell and appropriate use of the resource by communicating:

Safe2Tell is for students who need to report threats to themselves or others – in a way that keeps them SAFE.

Safe2Tell is ANONYMOUS – this means your identity is UNKNOWN. Anonymity is protected by Colorado state law.

Three ways to report: by phone by calling 1-877-542-7233 (SAFE), by web at safe2tell.org or by mobile app (download the Safe2Tell CO app for iOS or Android).

Safe2Tell is for serious reports only and saves lives of students in Colorado. It is NOT for pranks or hang-up calls.

Remember "Telling" is not "Snitching/Tattling" … Telling saves lives.

Think there's a chance it won't happen? NEVER LET "A CHANCE" TAKE A LIFE!

Students use Safe2Tell to report: bullying, stealing, threats, fights, drugs, alcohol, weapons, sexual misconduct, harassment, stalking, dating violence, cutting, suicidal behaviors or any other types of violent or dangerous situations that threaten their safety or the safety of others for the purpose of prevention and intervention.

The purpose of Safe2Tell is to help keep students safe and healthy.

Please pose the following questions to your students following the viewing the video.

Safe2Tell Related Classroom Discussion Questions:

- What are some of the reasons we don't tell when we know that someone needs help?
- At what age do we learn the "Code of Silence"?
- Does anyone have an example of when you wish someone would have helped you or a friend?

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- What do you think our school can do to create a safer environment for students?
- Who would you feel comfortable talking to when you need help?
- Who would like to share what you heard that makes Safe2Tell important?
- What would you like to see happen in our school to keep students safe?
- Who has seen someone get bullied on the internet?
    - ⇒ Would anyone like to share an example of internet bullying they have witnessed?
    - ⇒ What would you do if it happened to you?
- Why do you think people say things in emails, texts and web-posts that they wouldn't say to your face?
    - ⇒ What is a better alternative or how can we change that behavior?
- Why it is important to be careful what you put in electronic messages?
- What can you do to increase your own safety when using the internet?
- What would you do if a friend told you they were considering taking their own life?
- Why is it important for an adult to intervene rather than students handling everything themselves?
- How would you respond if you heard someone make a threat to hurt someone at school?
- Why is it important to take every threat seriously?
- What are some behaviors that you know other students are involved in – that you didn't think were that big of a deal until you heard about it today?
- Why do you think it is important for you to speak-up and help others make different choices?
    - ⇒ What would you say to that person if they were sitting next to you right now?
    - ⇒ Why is it sometimes difficult for us to say those things to each other?
- How can we overcome our fears and use our voices to have a positive influence on one another?
- How does keeping our school safe affect academics/grades? Why is that important?
- What is a goal that you have for yourself and one thing you are doing to reach that goal?
- How would you explain when to use Safe2Tell to your younger sibling?
- Why do you think our school should promote Safe2Tell for our students?
- What are some creative ways that we can encourage students to use Safe2Tell?

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