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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that your child's character education class will include a unit titled "radKIDS Personal Empowerment Safety Education". RadKIDS is a personal safety/life skills curriculum that is enriched throughout with a strong self-esteem building component for all students. The curriculum is a combination of gaining information (lecture) and activity training drills covering the following topics: home, school and vehicle safety; out and about safety; realistic defense against abduction; personal space and personal touch; stranger tricks (including physical defense against abduction); and self-realization of personal power. Content in the radKIDS curriculum is designed for students in kindergarten through sixth grade and aligns with the TEKS for elementary health and physical education. You may learn more about radKIDS by visiting their website at www.radKIDS.org.

RadKIDS lessons will be implemented in your child's character education class for throughout the year. On the first day of instruction in radKIDS your child will bring home a family manual explaining what your child will be doing during the lessons, as well as some homework assignments for you and your child to complete together. Upon completing the radKIDS training your child will receive a graduation certificate with his/her picture and thumbprint and a radKIDS wrist band. Your child will also have developed plans for what to do in different types of emergencies and/or dangerous situations.

If you choose to remove your child from the classroom during this unit, there will not be a penalty on his or her grade, but your child will be given an alternative activity during the class period. Your child's name and grade will be sent to radKIDS national headquarters for informational and statistical purposes.

Sincerely,

Darla Thomas
Certified radKIDS Instructor