Dear Parents and Guardians:

I am excited to announce that our school and all other Richland One schools have enrolled with the STOPit anonymous incident reporting system as part of the district's efforts to support safe learning environments for students and staff.

STOPit is an online reporting tool designed to deter and mitigate bullying, cyber abuse and other inappropriate behaviors. It consists of an app and a back-end incident management system for school administrators. This program teaches students, parents and staff how to recognize the signs of at-risk behaviors and gather information and report, and it allows administrators to assess, manage and resolve incidents.

Our students will be able to use the STOPit app to report incidents anonymously. They will have the power to help put an end to harmful and inappropriate behavior they see online through social media and other means. Students also can use STOPit to reach out for help if they or a peer are facing a personal crisis or experiencing bullying, abuse or are otherwise in need of assistance.

No student information is needed to use STOPit. The only way personally identifiable information will be accessible through STOPit is if a student voluntarily includes it within the content of a report or message.

The STOPit app will be downloaded on all district-issued student laptops. It also will be accessible through our school website and the district's website. Students also can download the STOPit app on their smartphones and other personal devices at no cost.

Our school team has been trained, and students will be trained to use the STOPit app before Spring Break. The app is scheduled to go live April 3. Click the link below to view the STOPit student training video:

STOPIT STUDENT TRAINING VIDEO (ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS)

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

LaQuana Aldridge Principal A.C. Moore Elementary