

February 19, 2019

Dear TEC/CDS Families,

Effective January 1, the *Human Trafficking Prevention Education and Training Act* (Assembly Bill 1227) requires all school districts in California to provide human trafficking prevention education for students once in middle school and once in high school. Travis Unified will be using a program called PROTECT (Prevention Organized To Educate Children on Trafficking) to provide this required training to our students and staff. On February 20th this grade-specific curriculum will be provided to our students.

The PROTECT program is in line with the state standards of the *California Healthy Youth Act* and the *Human Trafficking Prevention Education and Training Act*, and is a program to help kids understand the risks associated with human trafficking.

***Understand and Recognize Human Trafficking***

*Students receive an overview of human trafficking, including warning signs and recruiting tactics, legal consequences of trafficking under state and federal law, and how media can influence and desensitize people toward exploitation. They will learn about vulnerabilities, and be equipped with practical tools to keep themselves and their community safe. You can learn more about the program visiting: [www.protectnow.org](http://www.protectnow.org).*

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school office. If you would like your child to opt out of this training use the slip below.

Sincerely,

*Janelle Preston,*  
School Counselor  
TEC/CDS

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**If you do not want your child to participate in the Human Trafficking presentation**, please notify the school.

[Jpreston@travisusd.org](mailto:Jpreston@travisusd.org) or (707) 437-8265 or complete the portion below:

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_