



Lincoln Middle School

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

We know that students achieve their best at school in safe and supportive environments, where they are free from bullying and disruptive behavior.

Cyberbullying is becoming more prevalent amongst our youth. These incidents involve bullying conducted through social networking websites, such as Facebook, Instagram and Snapchat, and may involve several students acting in concert with one another. These behaviors, in addition to any action via social media that would be considered threatening or intimidating, cannot and will not be tolerated. Any student who participates in any fashion will be subject to disciplinary action up to and including suspension, expulsion and even possible criminal charges.

We know that with the rise of social media, cyberbullying or misuse of social media to threaten or intimidate is an increasingly important issue. We know that it can happen anywhere, anytime, and can have devastating consequences.

Please help ensure your child is neither the victim of cyberbullying or threatening or intimidating behavior nor the one engaged in digital assaults. Check in with your child regularly to see if he or she is the object of any incident that would lead him or her to feel unsafe at school. Ask questions as children who are the object of these actions are sometimes reluctant and even fearful to admit they are.

In addition, please be aware of what your child is doing online and monitor his or her technology. If you are aware of any instance of cyberbullying or actions that would be considered threatening or intimidating please report immediately to school administration or to the RRPS Student Services Department at (505) 896-0667. In addition, please encourage your child to report immediately to a trusted adult—teacher, administrator, counselor, nurse, parent, etc.

We take any incident of this nature very seriously and ask for your help in addressing the important issue of student safety and respect. For our school to remain a safe haven for children, we must all work together—parents, staff, and community members—to provide the quality environment that our children deserve.

Thank you for your support and assistance in keeping our campus safe for children.

Ms. Sanders, LMS Principal