

Elementary

Kentucky Safe Schools Week Daily Announcements 2021

(School announcements to encourage involvement in Kentucky Safe Schools Week)

Day 1

The Kentucky Center for School Safety announces this year's Kentucky Safe Schools Week, is set for October 17- 23, 2021.

This year's theme is "Be a Safety Star" and the focus will be on the multi-faceted brilliance of what it means to be a SAFETY STAR in school and in life. From the acts of kindness and respectfulness to following all safety rules and guidelines, being a true SAFETY STAR includes shining bright in all these areas. These outstanding students put others first without focusing on themselves.

This year's campaign highlights the word "**STAR**" and the qualities necessary to bring a safe learning environment into our schools.

S "Share, care and spread kindness everywhere I go"

T "Treat others with the respect we all deserve"

A "Abide by all school safety rules"

R "Rise and shine, helping others who need support"

Kindness, respectfulness and support of others are all characteristics of a SAFETY STAR. During COVID 19 and beyond new safety guidelines including masking, washing and distancing are protocol to keep schools safe. Safety drills such as lockdown and evacuation need to be conducted with rigor and purpose to maintain a safe environment. The students who follow the rules, support others in need, show kindness and respect to all are truly, bright shining... SAFETY STARS!

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Today we will talk about the following line of the pledge:

I will - "Share, care and spread kindness everywhere I go"

Everyone needs to know that others care about their feelings. When we care about others and show kindness the world is a better place. Do you really worry when

someone in your class needs a friend, or if they are having trouble with their school work? Do you let them know that you are thinking about them and that you care about what they need? Kindness and caring seem to go together because when you care you in turn show kindness to your classmates. Perhaps you can show your kindness by sitting with someone that is alone at lunch, or talking to someone when they are worrying about something and telling them you understand. Sharing is another way to show you are kind and care about others. If there is only one of something, do you jump to get it first or do you let a classmate have it or share the item? When you learn to stop and think about others your kindness and sharing will shine through. Let your kindness show as you care and share with others and you will be a true “Safety Star”.

Day 2

Remember this is Kentucky Safe Schools Week and we want you to join in and be part of the solution in our school to make it safe and enjoyable for everyone.

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Today we will talk about the following line of the pledge:

I will – “Treat others with the respect we all deserve”

You may wonder how you can show respect for others? One of the ways you show respect is to listen to them and what they say. You can also respect others by letting them know you think they have talents and that you appreciate them even if their talents are different than yours. Respecting others is like putting a “smiley face” sticker on someone’s paper. You are letting them know that they are important and that you respect them as a person. Respecting others and their feelings will in turn be rewarding to you. When you learn to treat others with the respect they deserve you are a “Safety Star”.

Day 3

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Today we will talk about the following line of the pledge:
I will - "Abide by all school safety rules"

Rules are important because they make everyone feel safe and give a sense of security. You may be thinking - How do rules make you feel safe? Just think about what school would be like if everyone did just what they wanted to do without consequences and rules. What would happen if there was a safety drill or lockdown and no one knew what to do? This would not only cause a lot of confusion but it could endanger you and others at your school. If you try to do what is right and follow school safety rules, you are a true "Safety Star".

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Today we will talk about the following line of the pledge:

I will "Rise and shine, helping others who need support"

We all need help sometime and when someone is there to lend a helping hand that is what we call support. When you support someone, you let them know their needs are important not only to them but to you too. Isn't it nice when someone in your class supports you when you are in need? When you were learning to ride a bike it probably took you a while before you could do it without thinking about falling and when you practice looking for ways to help others you will soon learn, like riding a bike, it will come automatically too. If you learn to rise and shine when others need your support you will be a true "Safety Star".

Day 5

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Today we are going to go over the words of this year's pledge. As you read it, please think about how you can be a part of making your school a safe and welcoming environment for everyone!

I pledge to:

S "Share, care and spread kindness everywhere I go"

T "Treat others with the respect we all deserve"

A "Abide by all school safety rules"

R "Rise and shine, helping others who need support"

Thank you for being a part of Safe Schools Week 2021 – We all need to work together and feel that we are a part of our school community. Remember our schools are composed of students/staff with a variety of interests and talents. All of us need to embrace kindness, respectfulness and support of others and be a "SAFETY STAR".