



November 15, 2019

Dear Superintendent McDonald and the Danville Independent School Board,

The enclosed certificate is to acknowledge your school district's outstanding participation in the Kentucky Safe Schools Week 2019 Campaign. Danville Independent School District had over 1,000 take the online "Our Safety Story Pledge...Kindness*Unity*Empathy." Over 71,000 students, educators, parents and community members have taken the pledge. THANK YOU for sharing this message with your teachers, staff and students. We are overwhelmed with support from the entire education community.

KCSS stands on the belief that everybody should enjoy school equally and be treated with respect. Community members, educators, students and parents are encouraged to promote safety throughout the year.

During this week, all Kentuckians were urged to improve the safety of their schools by educating students, staff and community members about building relationships by promoting kindness and empathy.

Our Safety Story Pledge...Kindness★Unity★Empathy

By taking the pledge we are embracing unity, kindness and empathy to enhance "**Our Safety Story**" and create a feeling of community and friendship throughout Kentucky's schools.

To keep Kentucky schools safe places in which to learn and work, I pledge to be:

Strong enough to show empathy for others who need help at school.

Awesome, as I strive to use tolerance to create unity at school.

Friendly, showing kindness to others of all ages.

Encouraging, promoting a feeling of community and friendship throughout my school.

The Kentucky Safe Schools Week campaign has been a success because of your participation and support. This week was dedicated to enhance awareness of school safety education and initiatives. These programs (online at www.kysafeschools.org) and many others are ongoing and reflect the dedication your district has toward safety every day. Remember, Kentucky Center for School Safety is ready to assist as needs arise. Feel free to contact us, toll free at 877-805-4277.

Sincerely,

Jon Akers
Executive Director
Kentucky Center for School Safety