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PPMS Parents and Guardians

Re: Youth Survey 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians:

Our local prevention coalition, the Southeastern Regional Action Council (SERAC), is the recipient of a grant to assist the community in identifying current factors that influence the healthy and positive development of our children and youth. Preston Plains Middle School joins SERAC in their goal of reducing substance use among the youth of Preston.

To move forward in addressing the needs of our community, we need better information about our youth and their attitudes and behaviors regarding substance use and abuse. The Youth Survey 2020 is a computer-driven survey intended to provide data about the youth in our community and the factors that influence them. With this information, our community can plan strategies and programs that strive to increase protective factors and decrease risk factors.

The survey will be administered to students in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades. Students will be asked to voluntarily participate in this brief survey during one class period at school. The survey is both anonymous and confidential; students will not be asked for their names or any identifying information. Results will be provided only as a summary of responses. A copy of the survey is available in the Preston Plains Middle School main office. If you would like your child excluded from the survey, please contact me in writing (email communication will suffice) on or before Wednesday, March 25<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you for your support of this important community initiative. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Ivy K. Davis-Tomczuk".

Ivy K. Davis-Tomczuk  
Principal