

The Worcester Central School District is committed to creating and maintaining a safe school environment. In an effort to find proactive ways to enhance systems of support for our school community, we are happy to announce the launch of the Say Something Anonymous Reporting System in our District beginning on February 26, 2024.

The *Say Something* Anonymous Reporting System, trains youth and adults how to recognize warning signs -- especially within social media -- of individuals who may be in crisis, and to tell a trusted adult directly or via the anonymous reporting system.

Specifically, the Say Something program educates participants to:

- Recognize the warning signs of someone who may be at-risk of harming themselves or others
- Take every warning sign and threat seriously; act immediately to get help by talking to a trusted adult <u>OR</u> reporting it through the telephone hotline, mobile app, or website that is available 24/7/365
- Sustain the curriculum and awareness via student clubs, in-school activities, call-to-action weeks, and on-going trainings

The *Say Something* Anonymous Reporting System program is age appropriate and provided at no cost by Sandy Hook Promise (SHP), a national nonprofit organization. They have a proven track record of working effectively with kids, parents, and teachers to improve school safety and strengthen an inclusive school culture.

If you have <u>questions</u> or concerns, please call (607) 397-8785 and speak to any member of the WCS School administration.