



## CHRIST THE KING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Guardians

### Threat Assessment

The safety of our children is a top priority for all of us. The events that occur involving students who commit violent acts against others cause government officials, educators, parents, students and other community members to examine how we make our schools and communities safe for our children.

Department of Education staff have been involved in an intensive safety training program with community partners, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, Yukon Department of Health and Social Services and Yukon Department of Justice. The training the Department of Education has undertaken helps our professionals to recognize and assess the warning signs and put in place interventions to support and reduce the level of risk. These signs, assess them, and put in place interventions to support and reduce the level of risk.

We wish to advise the parents of Christ the King Elementary that we have an internal Threat Assessment Team at our school. If necessary, we will involve the Department of Education and the community partners. All the members have received Threat Assessment Training. The team is activated when students are involved in threat making behavior. These threats may be physical, verbal or written; they may be gestures or messages posted on the Internet. The purpose of the Yukon Threat Assessment Program is to determine how best to support students considered at risk so that their behaviour does not become hurtful or destructive to themselves or others.

Parents and guardians can play an active role in keeping our school safe. It is important to inform the school administration if you have information that comes to you about threatening behaviours. This includes the ever-increasing forms of electronic communication used both inside and outside of the school building.

This letter is intended to provide you with fair notice that our school will respond to all threats in a professional manner that provides for a safe, healthy and caring learning environments. Any threats or threat making-behaviours will be taken seriously and assessed accordingly. Parents will be informed if their child is part of a threat assessment.

We are pleased to be able to provide this level of support to our school community and appreciate having the ongoing support of the Department of Education and of our community partners.

Yours truly

Gordon Miller  
Principal