

Instructions/Requirements for  
Personal Safety Curriculum  
Keeping Kids Safe or Talking About Touching

The state of Tennessee requires that a personal safety curriculum is taught to preschoolers each year. Dayton classrooms and the Rigsby classroom will use the state approved *Talking About Touching Curriculum* and all other classrooms will use the Tennessee state provided curriculum *Keeping Kids Safe*.

**Letter #1** is to invite the parents to the parent meeting to share the Personal Safety Curriculum, *Keeping Kids Safe* and to show the movie *What Do I Say Now?* An introduction to the Personal Safety curriculum must be conducted prior to the start of teaching the students. The classrooms using the pilot program, *Talking about Touching* will use the same invitation. (Available in Spanish)

**Handout "What Do I Say Now?"** is to be given out at all meetings when the movie *What Do I say Now* is presented to the parents. Please be sure that the phone numbers for your community are filled in for Child Protective Services, the Police and a Crisis Hotline.

**Letter #5** is to be sent home **prior** to the start of the units dealing with touching safety. In *Keeping Kids Safe* that is **Unit 5**. In *Talking about Touching* it is **Unit II**. (Available in Spanish.)

**Letter #9** is to be sent at the completion of the personal safety curriculum to assist parents to reinforce and practice with their child some of the information presented to the children. (Available in Spanish.)

**Handout:** *Guidelines for Choosing Babysitters* may be distributed.

Teachers utilizing the *Talking about Touching* curriculum may use additional letters provided in the curriculum as deemed necessary.

Classroom teachers are to document their lessons on the appropriate form and to keep a copy at the center and to attach a copy to the monthly report *when requested*.