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PublicSchoolWORKS Helps Districts Meet New Compliance Regulations Requiring Safety Resources for Parents

'Parent InfoCenter' gives districts added visibility with parents

Cincinnati, OH – February 20, 2012 – In order to help districts in various states across the country meet new requirements to make safety resources available to parents, PublicSchoolWORKS has developed the Parent InfoCenter. This service has been added to the company's Student Bullying and Violence Prevention program (SBVVP). The Parent InfoCenter is custom-designed to meet state-specific requirements on safety awareness for parents, including bullying prevention and child abuse prevention training. It features online training, awareness information and reporting tools for students and parents. In addition, staff may use the tool to share information with parents during parent/teacher nights.

The Parent InfoCenter enables districts to be proactive in providing parents with information that benefits the health and safety of students. It provides an online tool where (if a district requests it or a state requires it), parents may view the same training given to school personnel on the prevention and identification of child abuse, bullying prevention and other content, in addition to the obligations for reporting bullying and other safety concerns. The Parent InfoCenter includes:

- Parental Awareness Information – Child Abuse Prevention, Bullying Prevention and other information may be made available for parents via this portal to help parents understand how their children are being protected.
- Student & Parent Reporting Systems – Online and telephone reporting options for students and parents.

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- <u>A Student Reporting Poster</u> – A printable poster that provides students with the resources to report safety concerns either via telephone or online.

- <u>Safety Information Repository</u> – A place for safety information that the school wants to include, either PublicSchoolWORKS created or school created.

According to Tom Strasburger, vice president of PublicSchoolWORKS, "Unfortunately, student safety concerns that include child abuse, bullying and more are growing concerns for many school officials. It's our responsibility as adults to provide a safe place for students to get their education and provide tools to help them when inappropriate behavior is taking place. At PublicSchoolWORKS, we make it our goal to stay up-to-date on state and federal legislation and provide resources for districts to meet existing and new regulations. If the training, parent information and reporting systems can curtail just one event, then that is a significant step in the right direction."

PublicSchoolWORKS helps districts nationwide implement comprehensive safety and compliance management programs. The Student Bullying & Violence Prevention program combines components from both the award-winning [EmployeeSafe](#) and [StudentWatch](#) Suites into one comprehensive bully and violence prevention program. EmployeeSafe is an automated online safety program that facilitates timely and consistent administration of safety training, compliance task management (drills, inspections, IAQ, etc.), accident management, MSDS compliance, hazard/near miss reporting and more. StudentWatch provides tools that track and report on student safety and behavior issues and rewards for students with positive behavior. It offers 24/7 telephone hotlines and online tools for students to report bullying and other safety concerns.

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About PublicSchoolWORKS
Since its founding in 2000, PublicSchoolWORKS has been committed to providing top-quality, practical and cost-effective solutions to the constantly changing environmental, health and safety requirements affecting the nation's educational systems. The company has gained an exemplary reputation for the innovation and technical superiority of its comprehensive and integrated safety and compliance management systems, which combine administrative software tools and resources to dramatically reduce the time and cost required to develop, implement, and sustain safety compliance programs. For more information visit us on the web at www.publicschoolworks.com.

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