



*Correction Officers & Police Supporting Children
through Awareness & Reality-based Education*

Dear Parents/Guardians:

On _____, our school will be hosting an assembly presented by the New York State Correctional Officers & Police Benevolent Association in conjunction with COPS-CARE entitled The SMART Program (Safety Means Abduction Registration & Training).

The program, which is endorsed by the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children, will instruct students in the latest strategies to prevent abduction. More specifically, the students will learn to 1) Check First, 2) Use the Buddy System, and 3) Say NO & Go Tell.

As a follow-up to this program, all students will be offered the opportunity to establish a register of identifying information. With parental permission, students will be fingerprinted and have a digital photograph printed on the register. It is important to realize that there is only one copy of this information which will come home with the child on the day of the presentation.

If you are interested in having your child participate in this valuable program, please fill out the permission slip below and return it to your child's teacher by _____.

Please give careful consideration to this opportunity to help make your child one of New York's SMARTest children.

_____ has my permission to be photographed and fingerprinted as a part of the SMART Program. I understand that the photograph and fingerprints are not kept on file, and that the identifying register will be sent home with my child on the day of the presentation.

Date

Parent / Guardian Signature