

Dear Parents/Guardians:

In accordance with the Sex Offender Registration Act (Megan's Law), the Chittenango Central School District supports the efforts of the New York State Department of Criminal Justice Services to inform the community, in certain circumstances, of the presence of individuals with a history of sex offenses, particularly against children. A Board of Education policy has been enacted to minimize the possibility that sex offenders will come in contact with school-age children.

The most up-to-date information regarding Level 3 sex offenders, who have recently moved to the District, is accessible over the internet, or through contacting the Sex Offender Registry information line. The District is providing parents and guardians with information necessary to access the most updated information available. Contact information for the New York State website, along with additional ways to access this information is as follows:

- Telephone: Call 1-800-262-3257, Monday – Friday, 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
- Internet: Home or public library computers can access <http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/nsor/> for Level 3 offenders.
- Local Police: Area Police and the County Sheriff maintain sub-directories of Level 3 sex offenders.

Programming currently utilized in the school district reminds children of ways to keep themselves safe. The information in this letter is being provided to you in accordance with the existing laws and to safeguard the interest of children in our community. I encourage you to utilize the website or phone number for the most up-to-date information related to the Sex Offender Registration Act. Our purpose in providing this information is to promote public safety. However, the law requires that this information may not be used to commit a crime against the person listed in the registry or to engage in discrimination or harassment against such a person.

School districts and police agencies regularly collaborate to protect our children, which include teaching children to use caution and good sense in dealing with others. The Chittenango Central School District will continue to work together with police and other agencies to ensure the safety of students living in our community.

Sincerely, Michael Eiffe
Superintendent of Schools