

Seventh and eighth grade students will be participating in a lesson on Human Trafficking Safety during their scheduled Health class on either April 10th , April 16th, or April 23rd. The lesson will be taught by members of the Leesville Middle School Student Services Team. Due to the content of the lessons, advance parent notice is being provided.

The focus of the lesson for seventh graders is on recognizing that sexual harassment may contribute to sexual abuse, sexual assault, and sex trafficking. The lesson will break down the definition of Human Trafficking. Students will participate in small group discussions with their classmates. Students will also complete a safety assessment to indicate if they or anyone they know is currently in a potentially unsafe situation.

The eighth grade lesson will focus on educating students on how to protect themselves from Human Trafficking. Students will review the definition of Human Trafficking and watch a video. They will discuss how to protect themselves from harm and what to do if approached by potential traffickers. The lesson will include a discussion about dangers that occur because of online and social media apps. Students will also complete a safety assessment to indicate if they or anyone they know is currently in a potentially unsafe situation.

Please read the attached parent letter for more information, including directions to access the curriculum materials if parents wish to preview them in advance. **If parents do not want their child to participate in the Human Trafficking lesson, they need to notify the Mrs. Leonce, the 8th grade counselor at jhowardleonce@wcpss.net by Thursday, March 23rd.**