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Students Pledge Safe Schools

Safe Schools Week Kicks-off at Capitol

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LANSING. Today students from across the state affirmed their dedication to school safety and violence prevention by reciting a school safety pledge.

At the State Capitol, local students joined representatives from the Michigan Safe Schools Initiative to officially kick-off Michigan's Safe Schools Week, which runs November 6 - 12. Safe Schools Week calls attention to the fact that every student deserves a safe learning environment and each student plays an important role in school safety and violence prevention. Across the state over 72,000 pledges will be made during the week.

"Creating a safe learning environment takes a daily commitment from students, teachers, parents and law enforcement officers to build a safer and stronger community," said Col. Tadarial J. Sturdivant, director of the Michigan State Police. "The State Police works closely with educators through programs such as the Teaching, Educating, and Mentoring (T.E.A.M.) School Liaison Program and the Michigan Safe Schools Initiative to give every Michigan student the opportunity to learn in a safe environment."

"We must be diligent in safeguarding our children and educators with a strong commitment to violence prevention and safety planning. To protect the future of our education system - guaranteeing the free pursuit of knowledge - is to prepare today and every day," said State Representative William VanRegenmorter. "During this special recognition of school safety week and in times to come, let us thank those who are responsible for the care, safety and education of our young people by recognizing their dedication, endeavors and achievements."

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"Michigan supports safe and drug free schools so that children can learn, grow and achieve," said Patrick Barrie, Acting Director, Michigan Office of Drug Control Policy. "Drug and violence prevention programs and activities must be a part of an overall school curriculum strategy. Accordingly, the Michigan Office of Drug Control Policy is forging partnerships that better enable us to work together with educators, law enforcement, prevention, community groups and parents in an integrated effort using multiple strategies to help schools and communities create and maintain safe and drug-free learning environments."

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2005 Michigan Safe School Pledges

City	Organization Name	Number of Pledges
Allegan	West Ward Elementary School	306
Auburn Hills	Avondale Academy	75
Avoca	Avoca Elementary School	315
Battle Creek	W.K. Kellogg Middle School	556
Bay City	Christa McAuliffe Middle School	640
Berkley	Rogers Elementary	400
Beverly Hills	Our Lady Queen of Martyrs	350
Birmingham	Pierce Elementary	608
Bloomfield	West Maple Elementary	650
Britton	Britton-Macon Area School	600
Brownstown	Wegienka Elementary	550
Bryon	Bryon Elementary	700
Buchanan	Ottawa Elementary	323
Burr Oak	Burr Oak Schools	360
Burr Oak	Burr Oak Schools	380
Cadillac	Lincoln Elementary	260
Carleton	St. Patrick	140
Chesaning	Albee Elementary	200
Clinton Township	Macomb Academy	105
Clinton Township	Rainbow Elementary School	315
Clinton Township	Algonquin Middle School	400
Dearborn	Advanced Technology Academy	871
Dearborn	Westwood Community Schools	2,300
Dearborn Heights	St. Sabina School	245
Detroit	Butzel Elementary/Middle School	511
Detroit	Detroit Enterprise Academy	610
Detroit	Dove Academy of Detroit	517
Detroit	Northwestern High School	1,400
Detroit	Holy Redeemer Elementary	240
Dundee	Dundee Community Schools	1,700
East Lansing	Glencarin Elementary School	100
East Lansing	MacDonald Middle School	555

City	Organization Name	Number of Pledges
East Lansing	Whitehills Elementary School	100
Eastpointe	Kantner Elementary	200
Edwardsburg	Edwardsburg Public School	1,727
Erie	Mason Central Elementary	480
Erie	Mason Consolidated School	1,336
Escanaba	Webster and Lemmor Elementary	775
Fair Haven	Immaculate Conception Catholic School	215
Farmington Hills	Beechview Elementary	441
Farmington Hills	East Middle School	813
Fennville	Discovery Elementary School	250
Fennville	Fennville Middle School	400
Ferndale	Farndale Middle School	500
Flat Rock	Summit Academy Flat Rock	374
Flint	Carman-Ainsworth High School	124
Flint	Tucker Elementary School	425
Flushing	Flushing High School	1,500
Fremont	Cornerstone Christian Academy	54
Gaylord	Gaylord Intermediate School	700
Gibraltar	Carlson High School	800
Grand Blanc	Cook Elementary	400
Grand Blanc	Anderson Elementary	575
Grand Blanc	Myers Elementary	544
Grand Ledge	Hayes Middle School	728
Grand Rapids	Thornapple Elementary	396
Grandville	Grand View	660
Gratiot	St. Clair County Intervention Academy	35
Hamtramck	Hamtramck Charter Academy	395
Hazel Park	Hoover Elementary	300
Hazel Park	Webb Elementary	498
Hazel Park	Edison Max Program	100
Highland	Huron Valley Schools	370
Holland	Woodside Elementary School	550
Howell	Southeast Elementary School	570
Hudson	Hudson School District	1,200
Ida	Ida Middle School	556
Imlay City	Weston Elementary School	702
Ionia	A.A. Rather Elementary School	300
Kalera	Kaleua Elementary School	230
Lansing	Gier Park Elementary	296
Lansing	St. Gerard School	540
Lansing	Resurrection School	130
Lapeer	Zemmer Jr. High	595
Lawton	Lawton High School	300
Livonia	Clarenceville Middle School	488

City	Organization Name	Number of Pledges
Livonia	St. Edith	252
Manistee	Manistee Catholic Central	300
Marlette	Marlette Middle School	520
Marquette	Cherry Creek Elementary	322
Marquette	Grareraet Intermediate School	480
Marquette	Vanderboom Elementary School	150
Michigan Center	Arnold Elementary	325
Michigan Center	Keicher Elementary	412
Midland	Longview Elementary	185
Midland	Parkdale Elementary	283
Midland	Sibert Elementary	475
Monroe	Hollywood Elementary	240
Morley	Stanwood Elementary	300
Mt. Clemens	Mt. Clemens Montessori	240
Mt. Pleasant	Saginaw Chippewa Academy	170
Owosso	Bryant Elementary	500
Rockwood	Chapman Elementary	535
Warren	Briarwood Elementary	426
Northville	Moraine Elementary School	473
Perry	Shaftsbury Elementary	450
Petoskey	Ottawa Elementary	480
Plainwell	Starr Elementary School	630
Pontiac	Mark Twain	265
Rockwood	Chapman Elementary	495
Romulus	Romulus Elementary School	500
Roseville	St. Angela Catholic School	69
Royal Oak	Keller Middle School	700
Royal Oak	Starr Elementary School	260
Royal Oak	Northwood Elementary	375
Sanford	Meridian Elementary	450
St. Clair Shores	Greenwood Elementary	264
Sterling Heights	Black Elementary	400
Sterling Heights	Jefferson Elementary	460
Taylor	Holland Elementary	350
Tecumseh	Sutton School	403
Temperance	Douglas Road Elementary	602
Traverse City	Cherry Knoll	380
Troy	Susick Elementary	386
Troy	Troy School District	402
Twining	Arenac Eastern Elementary	85
Warren	Ben Ross Public School Academy	856
Warren	Green Acres Elementary	519
Warren	Lincoln Elementary School	412
Warren	Lincoln Middle School	700
Warren	McKinley Elementary	390

City	Organization Name	Number of Pledges
Warren	Pinewood Elementary	468
Warren	Van Dyke Public Schools	4,245
Warren	Washington Elementary	400
Warren	Wilde Elementary	420
Warren	Briarwood	426
Warren	Harding Elementary	350
Washington	Indian Hills Elementary	416
Washington	Washington Elementary	460
Waterford	Beaumont Elementary	396
Waterford	Haviland School	385
Wayne	Hoover Elementary	292
West Bloomfield	Keith Elementary	685
Westland	Adams Middle School	720
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Woodhaven	Bates Elementary	540
Woodhaven	Chapman Elementary	495
Woodhaven	Erring Elementary	460
Woodhaven	Gudith Elementary	330
Woodhaven	Hunter Elementary	400
Woodhaven	Parsons Elementary School	517
Woodhaven	Shumate Middle School	820
Woodhaven	Weiss Elementary	280
Woodhaven	Yake Elementary School	480
Wyoming	Godfrey Elementary	311
Grand Total Number of School Safety Pledges:		72,841

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