



Dear Loyalsock Township High School Families:

At Loyalsock Township School District, the safety, security, and well-being of our students and staff remain among our highest priorities. Creating and sustaining a safe school environment requires a comprehensive and coordinated effort involving our students, families, educators, administrators, community partners, mental health and wellness professionals, and local law enforcement.

As part of this commitment, Loyalsock Township School District participates in Safe2Say Something (S2SS), Pennsylvania's anonymous reporting program established under state law. S2SS provides students, educators, and administrators with the knowledge and tools to recognize warning signs and signals that may indicate an individual is at risk of harming themselves or others—and to take action before a situation escalates.

Through S2SS, participants are taught to:

- Recognize warning signs and signals of individuals who may be at risk of harming themselves or others, particularly through social media, text messages, videos, and photographs.
- Take every sign and signal seriously and act quickly by telling a trusted adult.
- Report concerns anonymously through the S2SS Office of the Attorney General's 24/7 Crisis Center, mobile application, or website.
- Respond to and manage submitted tips through a school-based multidisciplinary team of trained educators and administrators.
- Build continued awareness through student activities, school-based initiatives, clubs, and other opportunities that reinforce the importance of speaking up and looking out for one another.

Our students are often among the first to know when a peer is struggling or when something concerning is happening. For that reason, it is essential that we empower our students to recognize potential warning signs and provide them with safe and appropriate ways to seek help.

This is particularly important in today's digital environment. Many student conversations and interactions occur through social media, text messages, videos, and other online platforms. S2SS helps students understand what concerning behaviors may look like in these spaces and, most importantly, encourages them to act quickly rather than ignore or dismiss a warning sign.

Student Training

All Loyalsock Township High School students will participate in an in-person Safe2Say Something student training on Friday, September 25, 2026.

The training will provide students with information about recognizing warning signs, responding appropriately to concerns, and accessing trusted adults and the Safe2Say Something anonymous reporting system.

We believe S2SS can play an important role in helping our school community prevent and respond to serious concerns, including threats of violence, suicide and self-harm, bullying and cyberbullying, substance use, threats involving weapons, and other behaviors that may place students or others at risk.

Most importantly, we want our students to understand that saying something is not about getting someone in trouble—it is about getting someone help. When a student sees, hears, or receives something that causes concern, we want them to know that they have trusted adults and resources available to help them respond.

We encourage parents and guardians to talk with their students about the importance of recognizing warning signs, taking concerns seriously, and speaking up when something does not seem right. Your partnership is an essential part of keeping our school community safe.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding Safe2Say Something or the upcoming student training, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Thank you for your continued partnership and commitment to the safety, well-being, and success of our students.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stephen Hafele".

Stephen Hafele
Principal
Loyalsock Township High School