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Wayne Township Public Schools to Support Student Wellness With New SpeakUp for Safety Tipline

A new partnership with school safety technology company Gaggle will help curb bullying and threats of violence

Wayne, New Jersey - Wayne Township Public Schools today announced a partnership with school safety company Gaggle to launch a new SpeakUp for Safety tipline that will allow students to easily report threats of violence, bullying, peers in crisis, and other imminent concerns that affect students' well-being and security.

The SpeakUp for Safety tipline will be continually monitored by Gaggle safety professionals, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, all year long. Non-life-threatening tips will be quickly routed to designated school or district staff members, and in severe situations, district-appointed contacts will be immediately notified to take action. In the most urgent cases in which a student is in immediate danger and Gaggle is unable to notify a district-appointed contact, Gaggle will alert law enforcement to intervene.

The Gaggle SpeakUp for Safety tipline integrates directly with Google Workspace for Education, which students already access on a daily basis. There's no need for students to download a mobile app or remember a phone number.

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Mark Toback commented " We are thrilled to build on our existing partnership with Gaggle to offer this important reporting tool for our students. Gaggle software has been successfully used for years to monitor network activity and has proven to be invaluable in helping the District work with families through numerous crisis situations. Gaggle SpeakUp is an added measure that will enhance the safety and well-being for our entire school community and the targeted launch is set for the end of May."

About Gaggle

Since 1999, Gaggle has been the leader in helping K-12 districts manage student safety on school-provided technology. Using an effective combination of artificial intelligence and trained safety experts, the solution proactively assists districts 24/7/365 in the prevention of student suicide, bullying, inappropriate behaviors, school violence, and other harmful situations. Most importantly, Gaggle continues to help hundreds of districts across the country avoid tragedies and save lives, while also protecting their liability. For more information, visit www.gaggle.net and follow Gaggle on Twitter at [@Gaggle_K12](https://twitter.com/Gaggle_K12).

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