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### **Carmel Clay Schools Launches New School Safety Tool, STOPit App**

Carmel, IN – Carmel Clay Schools has introduced a new two-way anonymous communication tool called STOPit. This mobile app empowers any student to anonymously report school safety issues and reach out for help if they or a peer are facing a personal crisis or experiencing situations such as bullying, theft, mental health concerns, violence, sexual harassment, substance abuse or any other student safety concern. STOPit is available to students 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. This new app will replace Carmel Clay Schools' previous communication tool, Anonymous Alert.

With STOPit, students have the ability to access two important features:

- **Report** can be used by students to report incidents to school administrators, SROs and the Director of Student Services anonymously. Students can report as much detail as they would like and can even include photos, screenshots and videos. The report is received in real-time, allowing school personnel to quickly respond and begin taking the appropriate action.
- **Get Help** can be used to access local resources such as law enforcement, mental health centers, crisis hotlines and additional resources.

“Students are the most important first responders of school safety, as they are the eyes and ears of what is happening before, during and after school,” said David Woodward, Director of Student Services. “Offering this communication tool will enhance our layers of school safety and better promote a ‘see something, say something, do something’ school culture.”

Students can download the free app from the Apple App Store or through Google Play. Once downloaded, they will need to enter their unique school code. To learn more about the STOPit app, click on the [FAQs](#) and [watch this short video](#).

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