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# DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A Memo from the New Jersey Department of Education

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To: Local Educational Agency Leads  
Route To: Principals, School Safety Specialists, School Administration, School Social Workers, School Psychologists, School Faculty  
From: Ambrose F. Duckett, III, Assistant Commissioner  
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## Sandy Hook Promise Say Something Implementation Workshops

The New Jersey Department of Education's Office of School Preparedness and Emergency Planning (OSPEP) is excited to announce a partnership with Sandy Hook Promise to bring additional *Say Something* violence prevention program to schools across New Jersey. The *Say Something* Program is a proven, no-cost, and easy-to-implement violence prevention program that equips school personnel and school-based law enforcement with the skills to teach students to recognize warning signs of potential violence or self-harm and take immediate action to intervene. The workshop includes various activities and resources designed to integrate training seamlessly into the school culture, supported by student-led SAVE Promise Clubs. Participants will leave this virtual workshop with the knowledge and tools to:

- Access program materials on the Sandy Hook Promise Digital Learning Center;
- Implement the *Say Something* program using the Program Cycle;
- Train students in *Say Something* through video or self-led sessions;
- Identify school safety issues to address with the *Say Something* program;
- Engage students in *Say Something* activities, lessons, and instructional strategies;
- Develop and implement a *Say Something* program action plan using the program cycle as a guide; and
- Generate youth agency, empowerment, and leadership opportunities.

**Intended Audience:** Teachers, School Counselors, Mental Health Specialists, school-based law enforcement, SAVE Promise Club Advisors, and administrators interested in implementing *Say Something* at their district/school.

Please register for the [Virtual Workshops \(2.5 hours\)](#) and [In-Person Workshops \(4.5 hours\)](#) on the [Registration Page](#).

School Safety Specialists who complete this training will earn appropriate hours toward recertification, provided they have not already completed it.

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