### LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION



# School Safety Partnership Media Briefing

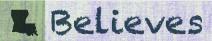
Monday, October 3 2022

#### Today's Agenda

- Partnership Announcement by State Superintendent
- Partnership Remarks by Crimestoppers GNO
- Partnership Remarks by Louisiana State Police
- Q&A Session for Media Members.

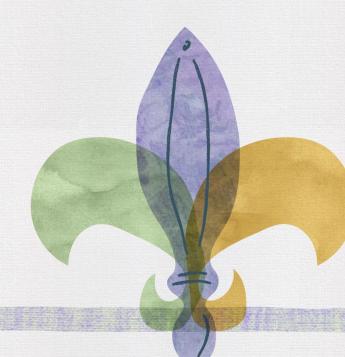
#### **Media Resources**

- Press Release, Fact Sheet, Presentation, :30 & 8:00 Videos in Chat Box
- Press Release Distributed Later Today



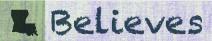
# Louisiana Department of Education & Crimestoppers GNO Partnership

Dr. Cade Brumley Louisiana State Superintendent



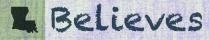
 Louisiana Department of Education is encouraging school systems to adopt the free <u>Crimestoppers GNO Safe Schools Louisiana Program and its Say It Here mobile</u> app for middle and high schools.

 Crimestoppers GNO offers school systems the opportunity to participate in the Safe Schools Louisiana program at no cost. Crimestoppers GNO, Louisiana State Police, and the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness offer Safe Schools Louisiana to all middle and high schools throughout the state.



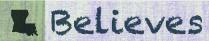
### Why the need for an anonymous reporting tool?

- In the vast majority **school shootings**, someone other than the attacker knew of the plan before it happened.
- Four out of five teens who attempt suicide have given clear warning signs.
- Safe Schools Louisiana is a safe, easy, and anonymous way for people who see something to say something.



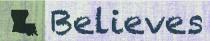
#### How does Safe Schools Louisiana work?

- Turnkey program complimentary to schools
- Say It Here mobile app allows users to anonymously report bullying, violence, criminal activity, mental health issues, etc.... (hotline also available)
- Professionally trained security operators field tips 24-7
- Once vetted, proper representatives are notified. In emergency, safe school team contacted for immediate response.
- Follows best practice procedures for operating anonymous student hotlines used by national programs such as Sandy Hook Promise.



### How do school systems participate?

- Can be implemented in less than two weeks
  - Initial Memorandum of Understanding
  - School system tip administrative team training
  - Student training on the app
- School multidisciplinary teams include a representative from law enforcement and lead mental/behavioral health school leader.
- Multidisciplinary team directs path for intervention on all reported issues, especially if tip considered criminal or referencing self-harm.



#### By The Numbers

- Crimestoppers GNO has worked over 40 years operating anonymous criminal reporting resources.
  - Over 18 years working in area schools with Safe School Louisiana
- With LDOE support, nearly 40 Louisiana school systems currently use Safe Schools Louisiana.
  - Over 500 middle and high schools participate

