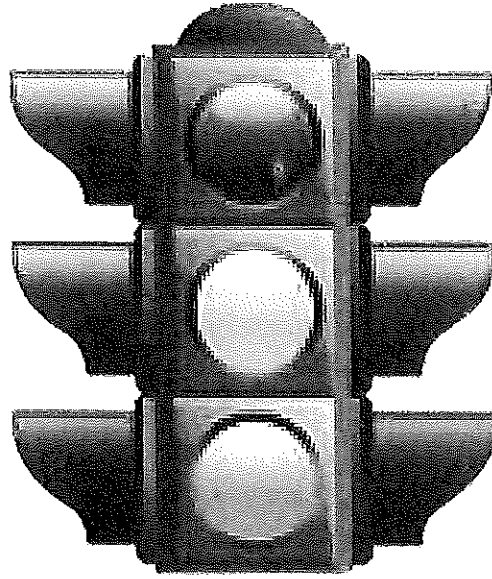


# RICHFIELD SAFETY TOWN

## 2020



The Village of Richfield is offering a program designed to teach your child valuable safety rules before s/he enters kindergarten this fall **and is limited to children going into kindergarten the 2020-2021 school year**. Richfield Safety Town teaches lessons that include pedestrian and traffic safety, bike safety, stranger identification & safety, animal safety, gun safety, fire & tornado drill safety, address & telephone number drills, 911 instruction, self-defense, good touch-bad touch awareness, ALiCE Training (minimal preparation for a school intruder), school bus safety, fireworks/burn safety, water safety & basic first aid. Classes are taught by police and fire department experts, an elementary school teacher, health care professionals and dedicated, supervised student volunteers.

Our program will be **held June 22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am-12:00pm for five days with a 12:30pm graduation on Friday**, our last day. This year Richfield Safety Town will be held at Richfield Elementary School, 3080 Revere Road, Richfield. For those wishing to enroll a student, please complete the attached application and return it by email, mail or in person:

Richfield Safety Town 2020  
Attn: Rachel Alaimo  
Richfield Police Department  
4450 W. Streetsboro Road  
Richfield, Ohio 44286  
[ralaimo@richfieldvillageohio.org](mailto:ralaimo@richfieldvillageohio.org)

**Please register by Friday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020.** Please plan on participating if you submit an application, we have always been able to accommodate all applicants. **However, your child's participation will not be confirmed with you until 2-3 days after the deadline above.**

**\*\*\*\*Safety Town is for Richfield Residents ONLY and is free of charge. \*\*\*\***

**\*\*\*FOR FURTHER SAFETY TOWN INFORMATION CONTACT RACHEL ALAIMO, PROGRAM COORDINATOR  
AT 330-659-9500 (Richfield Police Dept.) OR 216-410-2592 (Rachel's Cell).**



# RICHFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

4450 WEST STREETSBORO ROAD  
RICHFIELD, OHIO 44286  
(330) 659-9500  
(330) 659-0677 FAX

Michael Swanson  
Chief of Police

February, 2020

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

As part of Safety Town your child will be introduced to a new training program to keep them safe at school. ALiCE is a program that involves education on options in crisis and situational awareness. It is a proactive approach to a crisis.

**ALiCE** stands for:

**A - Alert**  
**L - Lockdown**  
**I - Inform**  
**C - Counter**  
**E - Evacuate**

For students, training will include the following key points:

1. Reporting any suspicious activity, conversations, etc. to an authority figure - parent, teacher, police, principal.
2. Situational Awareness - using the information you have in a crisis to make the best decision to keep yourself safe.
3. Escape/Evacuation
4. Using surprise to stay safe

How is this different from the other procedure? Currently, schools use an intruder drill which focuses on locking down the building and keeping students in their locked classroom away from doors and windows. ALiCE training adds options for this situation. ALiCE encourages the use of real-time information with the intercom or other communications used to provide teachers and students with information throughout the situation. Students and staff can use this information to make decisions about how to react. One option is to barricade the classroom door making it even more difficult for the intruder to enter. Another option is evacuation if the intruder is in another part of the building. ALiCE encourages students and staff to be aware of their surroundings and possible exit routes that exist.

The Richfield Police would like to invite you to participate in this training so that you can be fully aware of what is being taught to your child. The goal of this training is to begin your mental preparation of recognizing, assessing, and responding to immediate threats against you. This training is not designed to scare you into thinking there is a violent situation lurking around every corner. It is designed to prepare you to be a leader should a violent situation find you. ALiCE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, and Evacuate) will explain response options when faced with violence.

**\*\*\*Please find permission for your child to participate in this instruction/activity below.**

# RICHFIELD SAFETY TOWN STUDENT REGISTRATION 2020

(Please PRINT NEATLY)

Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> – Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 9:00am – 12:00pm

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please indicate any nickname or shortened name in parentheses)

Child's Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
STREET ADDRESS CITY ZIP

Child's Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address for confirmation: \_\_\_\_\_

Please indicate any disabilities/health concerns/allergies that the staff of Richfield Safety Town should know about in effort to better support your child:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Who else is authorized to pick up your child from Safety Town? (name and relation)**  
(When you know someone else will be picking up our child, please send in a note with them the day of the change.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

## Emergency Contact Information:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Mother's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Home Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Work Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address (if different from the student's)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Father's Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Cell Phone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Home Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Work Telephone Number

\_\_\_\_\_  
Home Address (if different from the student's)

\_\_\_\_\_  
If you have other children that are not yet Safety Town age & you would like an application emailed to you when that time comes, please provide the year your younger child(ren) will be going to Safety Town too.



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Michael Swanson  
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February, 2020

Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s),

An integral part of the Richfield Safety Town is the Fire Department's Safety House. The communities of Bath, Copley, and Fairlawn also utilize this Safety House. The Safety House is a mobile, one story house used to show children how to exit a smoky dwelling. The simulated smoke is non-toxic "pretend theater" smoke that simulates the atmosphere of a burning house. A Firefighter, Police Officer, Safety Town Supervisor or Teacher will accompany the children at all times during the demonstration. Although the smoke is of non-toxic origin, **the manufacturer warns that individuals suffering from emphysema, asthma or diagnosed as having an allergic reaction to smoke or any other respiratory ailment should not be exposed to this artificial smoke.**

Please check and sign ONE box

I, \_\_\_\_\_, HEREBY GRANT PERMISSION FOR MY

CHILD, \_\_\_\_\_, TO PARTICIPATE IN AN EXERCISE OR DRILL INVOLVING THE CHILD SAFETY HOUSE, A MOBILE ONE STORY HOUSE DESIGNED TO SHOW CHILDREN HOW TO SAFELY EXIT A SMOKE FILLED HOUSE.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, WISH FOR MY CHILD

\_\_\_\_\_ TO HAVE THE FIRE EXERCISE WITHOUT THE NON-TOXIC SMOKE.

I UNDERSTAND THE ARRANGEMENTS AND BELIEVE THAT NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS AND PLANS FOR THE CARE AND SUPERVISION OF MY CHILD DURING THIS EXERCISE WILL BE TAKEN. BEYOND THIS, I WILL NOT HOLD VILLAGE, YOUTH FIRE PREVENTION TRAINING INC., IT'S OFFICERS, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES OR OTHERS SUPERVISING THIS ACTIVITY, RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY ACCIDENT OR INJURY.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Sincerely,

Mrs. Rachel Alaimo  
Richfield Safety Town Coordinator

cc: Michael Swanson, Chief of Police  
Phil McLean, Chief of Fire

Please initial in the appropriate spaces to signify if you wish your child to be included in these additional Richfield Safety Town activities.

**I allow my child to fully participate in the Basic ALICE Training.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Initials)

Your child will be instructed in the appropriate way to act, respond, and defend themselves when being picked up or grabbed by a stranger. This instruction is done by Police Officer Scott Dressler and would involve Officer Dressler physically picking up your child in practicing being taken by a stranger.

**I allow my child to fully participate in the Basic Self-Defense Training.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Initials)

Your child will be instructed in the appropriate behavior around animals. This instruction is done by the Richfield Animal Warden and may involve touching of a dog under warden's close supervision. No child is ever forced to touch an animal if they express a fear of the animal. Please advise Mrs. Alaimo if your child is allergic to dogs and s/he will not be allowed to touch the animal.

**I allow my child to fully participate in the animal instruction.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Initials)

GASP (Guardians Advocating Child Safety and Protection) will be producing and providing free computer-generated discs for YOU to share with law enforcement if your child is missing. The disc includes: photos, video with voice and digital fingerprints. There is no data base so they collect this information and give it all back to you, the parents. For more information on GASP, go to [www.gaspohio.org](http://www.gaspohio.org).

**I allow my child to fully participate in the GASP program.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Initials)

Photos are taken of each child and the group and are provided to parents at Graduation. A slide show presentation is also created and presented at Graduation. Access to the slide show presentation is only provided to parents of students who have participated in the program who request it. The Mayor of Richfield, the Chief of Police and the Coordinators of Richfield Safety Town are the only individuals who will submit photos to community publications.

**I allow my child's photograph to be taken and potentially utilized in Richfield Village publications recognizing Richfield Safety Town.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Initials)

Please be advised that the focus of the Richfield Safety Town is to benefit the health and the safety education of your child. Help us in this endeavor by asking questions, making suggestions, participating, and reinforcing valid safety lessons in your home. We are all working together to keep your child safe.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Thank you for your attention and cooperation,

Mrs. Rachel Alaimo  
Richfield Safety Town Coordinator  
cc: Michael Swanson, Chief of Police





Child's First Name _____
Middle Name _____
Last Name _____
Nick Name _____
Parent/Guardian Name _____
Gender _____
Height _____
Weight _____
Eye Color _____
Hair Color _____
Glasses _____
Race _____
Date of Birth _____
Distinguishing Marks _____
Other Health Considerations _____
Primary Phone Number _____
Address _____
Zip _____
City _____ State _____

**YOUR GENEROUS DONATION MAKES IT POSSIBLE FOR GASPs TO PROVIDE COMMUNITY PROGRAMS FOR CHILD PROTECTION AND SAFETY.**

The CD you receive can be viewed on any computer containing a CD drive. The icons can be viewed. The video icon must be dragged to the desk top in order to view the video. The Preview Summary icon can be printed on your computer. Please bring your previously burned CD to any future fingerprinting event so we can update your child's information.

In the event your child is missing, give the completed CD to the responding police agency. Please keep the CD in a safe place! When traveling with your child, feel free to take the disc with you. If your child is traveling without you, you can e-mail the PDF form to the child's location, if needed.

