NEW CA EDUCATION CODE REQUIREMENT - HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION RESOURCES

School districts that educate students in any of grades 6-12 are now required to provide human trafficking prevention resources to parents. The Contra Costa County Office of Education created **this document** about commercially sexually exploited children (CSEC). It includes information about understanding CSEC, possible indicators, how parents can help, and resources. According to the California Office of the Attorney General, "Human trafficking is among the world's fastest-growing criminal enterprises and is an estimated $150 billion-a-year global industry. It is a form of modern-day slavery that profits from the exploitation of our most vulnerable populations through force, fraud, or coercion to exploit the victims for forced labor, sexual exploitation, or both."

In the future, this information will be included in OUSD's annual notification to parents/guardians at the beginning of each school year. I believe that it is our collective responsibility to protect all children from becoming victims of human trafficking.