



## SECURE ANONYMOUS COMMUNICATIONS

### Athens Academy is proud to partner with TXTABOUTIT

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Athens Academy is committed to providing a safe and healthy learning environment. We believe the TxtAboutIt service, which provides a digital and anonymous means for those who need assistance, enhances our ability to address our students' needs. By offering this service, we hope to help facilitate the difficult conversations that some people may need to have but are afraid to initiate.

Students can use this service between the hours of 7am and 5pm and we will make every effort to respond as soon as possible. **However, if you send a message after these hours or on a day when school is not in session, please now that the school personnel you are contacting may not be able to respond until the next regular school day.**

What is "TxtAboutIt"?

Today, thousands of students across the country, at schools similar to us, use TxtAboutIt to anonymously report problems and issues ranging from academic concerns to violence. Your Student Council has identified a group of Athens Academy teachers who students continually go to for help, assistance, support, and to voice concerns. While these teachers are "choices" through this platform, please know that ALL Athens Academy teachers continue to be available to assist and help you as they always have. This is just one more way for you to ask for help if you need it OR if a friend needs it. TxtAboutIt is a preventative solution focused on bridging the communication gap between students and faculty and it:

- Opens the channel and frequency of communications between students and faculty
- Provides students with a mechanism to reach out to adults and anonymously report concerns
- Builds positive connections between students and faculty members
- Resolves student problems in a safe, efficient and timely manner
- Reduces the stigma often associated with seeking assistance for problems
- Allows students to assist in creating and maintaining a healthy school environment

We believe that TxtAboutIt will provide you with an outlet to share struggles, frustrations and more in a safe environment. Please use this service if, and when, you need to talk.

**Submit an anonymous message and start the conversation by texting us at 706-666-4628.**

If you are reporting an emergency, please notify your parents or another adult immediately. **Likewise, For a medical emergency, please call 911 immediately.**