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Dear Parents/Guardians.

Following the recent school shooting tragedy in Texas, we feel compelled to jointly reach out to you as we are aware that, following each school shooting tragedy, there is understandable concern, upset, and worry in students, staff members, parents/guardians, and community. Our deepest thoughts and prayers always remain with the families, school districts, and communities that suffer losses.

We want you to be confident that everything humanly possible to protect the safety and security of our students and staff members is our paramount concern every day before everything else and we would like to share some examples that will hopefully help you.

From the School District...

- Each month, there are two drills that include our first responders: One fire drill, and one other safety and security drill. You are notified after each.
- Exterior doors are locked following student arrival and remain locked through student dismissal.
- Visitors are initially provided with electronic access to the main office security vestibule where they are evaluated for building entry, provided with a visitor's badge, and signed in prior to entering the building.
- Classroom doors are locked at all times.
- Staff receive safety and security professional development training in an ongoing manner.
- The Chief School Administrator, Principal is also certified as a New Jersey School Safety Specialist.

From the Police Department...

- Neptune City police officers train on a monthly basis on how to deal with and respond to active shooter situations.
- Neptune City police officers are equipped and trained to make immediate entry and confront an active threat.
- The surrounding police departments in the Neptune City area also train with our police officers.
- Neptune City police has a school resource officer assigned to the school who is armed and trained on how to deal with active shooter situations and other types of threats.

The School District and Police Department work as a team to ensure safety and security. Therefore, you may reach out to either or both of us with any questions you may have.

Sincerely,

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