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> Mrs. Kathleen Walsh Superintendent

> > Dr. Kurt Ceresnak Principal

Dear Parents:

It was brought to my attention today that a student recently made inappropriate comments, including stating, "I am going to shoot up the school." When made aware of the situation, steps were taken to ensure students were safe. At no point in time were students in any danger. The district has been in communication with the Netcong Police Department. Procedures have been put in place for ongoing monitoring and support for any student who may need it.

Please use this incident as an opportunity to speak with your child about the appropriateness of language and imagery utilized on and off school grounds, particularly when such language or imagery could be perceived as potentially interfering with the safety and security of any member of our school community. Discuss with your child that it is never acceptable to target, harass, threaten, or harm other people. Non-violent means of solving problems like Peer Mediation and the assistance of school staff should be utilized. If your child learns about potentially dangerous feelings or actions, please encourage your child to report such information to our school staff.

As always, thank you for your continued support as we work together to maintain safety, comfort, and security within our school.

Sincerely,

Kurt Ceresnak

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