

Lockport Elementary School District 91

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"Education is our connection to the future"

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

In the aftermath of the recent school shooting in Florida, there is understandable concern from staff, students, and parents across the country. Although we have not received calls regarding school safety in District 91, I want to take this opportunity to assure you that student safety is our top priority and a topic we review almost daily.

As you are aware, we have put several additional security precautions in place in our buildings over the past few years. Some of the additional measures include:

- ❖ The creation of secure entries for visitors.
- ❖ Buildings are secured and checked throughout the school day.
- ❖ Installation of interior and exterior cameras at both buildings and monitors to view building activity.
- ❖ Required background checks for all visitors and volunteers.
- ❖ Automatic door closure buttons to lock down a portion of the building if needed.
- ❖ We continuously review and update our school safety plans with staff and local authorities.

We would like to partner with our parents and community in keeping our schools safe. We ask **"if you see or hear something, say something."** Today we have added an additional measure to aid us in keeping abreast of information that could assist in preventing a potential safety risk. On our homepage, www.d91.net, we have added a **"Let Us Know"** link, where anyone can anonymously let us know if they see or hear something concerning.

To further assist you in conversations you may have with your child regarding school safety, the following link with resources for parents may be useful:

<https://www.nasponline.org/resources-and-publications/resources/school-safety-and-crisis/talking-to-children-about-violence-tips-for-parents-and-teachers>

It is our hopes that by empowering our parents/community to keep us informed, we can avoid ever having an incident that threatens the safety of our students and staff. We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,



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