

# ALLAMUCHY TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Allamuchy Parents and Guardians,

The purpose of this letter is to address the concerns that have been raised with regard to an alleged threat made against the school last week. I wanted to make sure that all students, parents and staff were aware that at no time was there any indication of an actual threat of harm to students or staff in the school building. Further, in response to information provided to District administration of a possible threat, the State Police were immediately contacted and took immediate action to look into the matter.

The State Police were fully aware, and directly involved, in all steps taken by the District to address the allegations and to make sure that students and staff remained safe at all times. When an incident of this nature is brought to the attention of school officials, the District is proactive in making sure that immediate steps are taken to involve outside agencies with the expertise to address the matter.

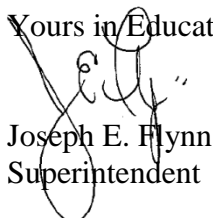
With regard to the District's efforts to insure student safety, I did want to highlight the following:

- We have a great relationship with the State Police Hope Barracks. At the beginning of the school year, the State Police were present at both buildings for the first few days of school and they continue to visit the buildings periodically and walk through to make connections with our students. In addition, they are often on Johnsonburg Road at the start of school and the end of school. The State Police are more than willing to provide a police presence in or around the Schools when necessary.
- All staff members receive mandatory training relating to school and student safety at the beginning of the school year and throughout the year.
- Further, as a District we have classroom meetings with lower and upper elementary students via the classroom teacher as well as grade level meetings with the Middle School, at the beginning of the year to discuss responsibilities as a student in Allamuchy and the importance of bringing information to the attention of an adult to be handled appropriately.

I know firsthand from my time here in the District that the teachers and staff members at Allamuchy take great pride in the care of our students as if they were their own children. This includes, but is not limited to; teachers, paraprofessionals, cafeteria staff, custodial staff, bus drivers, front office personnel, administration and the Board of Education. The safety and well-being of our students and staff has always been, and will always be, our number one priority.

Should you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact me. If you would like to meet please let me know and I will make myself available.

Yours in Education,



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Superintendent