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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this letter finds you well. As we continue to partner in education, I am writing to inform you about an important new development regarding school safety within our district. As of July 11, 2024, a new state law requires that every school district in Pennsylvania must employ a full-time school safety officer.

This mandate, which was enacted to enhance the safety and security of our students and staff, is aimed at ensuring a more robust and proactive approach to school safety. The presence of a dedicated safety officer will provide a consistent and focused effort to maintain a secure learning environment.

Our district is committed to complying with this law and is in the process of hiring a qualified school safety personnel who will be responsible for a range of safety and security measures. These measures include but are not limited to:

- Monitoring and managing access to school facilities
- Conducting regular safety drills and emergency preparedness training
- Collaborating with local law enforcement and emergency services
- Implementing and overseeing school safety policies and procedures
- Providing support and guidance to students and staff on safety-related issues

I understand that the safety of our children is of utmost importance, and this new requirement is a significant step towards reinforcing our commitment to providing a secure educational environment. I will keep you informed as we progress with the hiring process and the implementation of this new initiative.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this new law or its implementation, please do not hesitate to contact me at 717-349-3011. I appreciate your continued support and cooperation as we work together to ensure the safety and well-being of all our students.

Yours in education,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Dr. Tara Will'. The signature is written in a cursive style.

Dr. Tara Will