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Dear Western Wayne Community,

Western Wayne School District's first priority is to ensure the safety of everyone in our District, while providing a welcoming and supportive environment. We go to great measures to secure our schools, train our staff, and develop effective protocol. While many of these efforts are routine, we continuously evaluate our procedures to address any areas that we can improve. Lockdown drills, evacuations, and other safety training exercises are practiced with our students and staff. We collaborate with local police, state police, emergency management services, and various other agencies to plan and prepare for a variety of potential situations.

Each building in the District has safety and security plans that were designed with the help of our staff, law enforcement, emergency management, and other related agencies. These plans are reviewed and revised regularly so that we are exercising the most effective and relevant procedures and protocol. The primary objective is to keep our students and staff safe in an emergency event.

We, as a community, need to continue to work together so that we can optimize our students' well-being and learning environment. Communication is a vital component in our efforts. We encourage all stakeholders to notify us of any concerns, especially when it pertains to school safety or the welfare of our school community. Together we will continue to maintain a safe and supportive school community.

Sincerely,

Matthew Barrett, Ed.D.  
Superintendent

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