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RE: Student Safety Reminders

Dear Somers Point School Community:

Last week, it was reported that a man approached a high school student in Atlantic County with unknown intentions. Fortunately, the student did not move towards this man, but rather, the student ran in the opposite direction and knocked on the front door of a nearby home. Because of these actions, the student was able to avoid a potentially dangerous outcome.

Be assured that we have NO reason to believe that any Somers Point student is in harm's way because of last week's events, but we are asking you to review basic safety precautions with your children:

- 1. Any suspicious activity should be reported to a trusted adult or local police by calling 911. It is important to provide as many details as possible so the proper authorities can fully investigate these reports.
- 2. Hold age-appropriate conversations with your child(ren) on what they should do if a stranger approaches.

While we all remain aware and vigilant to ensure student safety, last week's events are a reminder for all of us to speak with our students about how to keep them safe.

Sincerely,

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