

## The Brooklyn Schools

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Dear Brooklyn School Community,

I wanted to update you regarding the message that we sent out this morning. I received a call from Brooklyn's Resident Trooper that there would be a police presence at our school due to a "nationwide, unconfirmed threat of a school shooting". I am grateful to have a resident trooper who had direct communication and shared this with us.

I understand that there was not much information in my message, but I wanted to share what I did know, as quickly as I could. It is now 9:30AM and I have received a little more information about this threat.

The information was initially received through the State of Connecticut Technical High School Central Office in Hartford, CT. It was received as a Snapchat and was not specific to any school. They informed each of the technical high schools. Ellis Technical High School informed Troop D who provided support to the area schools as a precautionary measure.

Drop off went smoothly and the students will have mask breaks and recess outside on the backside or lower fields of our school. Access to the back of the school will not be permitted. Visitors will be restricted as well.

I am sorry to have alarmed parents, students and staff with this information this morning, but I felt that you should be aware since the police were responding to this situation. Please feel free to reach out to police or the schools if you ever become aware of any threats. We will always respond with caution and take threats seriously. Safety of our students and staff is a top priority. Brooklyn Resident Trooper Corradi will be visiting the school grounds during the day and is always available to our schools. If you see him you can thank him!

Be well and have a nice day.

Patricia L. Buell  
Superintendent

**Mission:** The Brooklyn Schools will foster a drive for learning within each student to reach his/her greatest potential. To achieve this mission, the school will continually improve its educational programs and services to meet this community's expectations for a quality education for all.