

Superintendent of Schools



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Dear East Islip Community:

The tragic events that took place in Parkland, Florida are a sad reminder of just how vulnerable we are and how fragile life is. In an effort to honor those who have suffered so much due to this tragedy and others like it, we are taking a long look in the mirror to reflect on all of our security procedures and policies. We are constantly reviewing, updating and practicing to train our children to grow up to be safe and secure in a world so much different than we grew up in

I am confident that all district employees, law enforcement and first responders are deeply committed to our children's safety and security. Please know that the No. 1 priority as your superintendent is the safety and security of everyone in the East Islip community. Along these lines, we would like to invite the community to attend the March 8 Board of Education meeting at 8 p.m. (downstairs) in the Early Childhood Center. At the beginning of the meeting, the board will be there to listen to your concerns and answer your questions.

The entire country is going through a grieving and mourning process over this tragic event in Parkland, Florida. When young lives are lost, we grieve for the loss of what could have been and we are confused because it is so unnatural. Now is the time for us to come together and listen to each other.

Please take the time to get the facts before hitting send on your social media platforms because rumors can leave deep scars and have serious consequences.

If you have any questions or concerns that can't wait until this meeting, please call my office at 631-224-2010,