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Safety in Our Schools December 16, 2012

The entire Morris Township Police Department is greatly saddened by the tragic school shooting that occurred early Friday morning in Newtown, Connecticut.

This unthinkable act targeted the safety and innocence of 26 lives at the Sandy Hook Elementary School. We want to reassure our community that together with our public and private schools we are committed to providing a safe learning environment for your children. Morris Township Police personnel have always worked closely with our partners at the Morris School District and the various private schools throughout Morris Township to ensure that all students in our schools are safe. In a coordinated effort, we regularly evaluate our safety plans and strategies. As a result of this tragic incident, the Morris Township Police Department has maintained contact with our local school principals or administrators to ensure there are no issues or concerns as students and staff return to the classroom. For the rest of the week, Morris Township Police Officers are directed to provide additional patrols to all of our schools. Until some normalcy is returned to the classroom setting, we will do our best to maintain a visible presence during both drop-off and pick-up.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the families and first responders in Connecticut and all who are affected by this unspeakable act.

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