EASTPORT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Eastport Elementary Families:

We take student and staff health and safety very seriously and we strive to have our students learn in the safest environment possible at all times. In order to maintain a safe school, and in accordance with NY State Education Laws, we conduct several emergency drills throughout the year.

As you may have read last week in this <u>letter</u> from Mr. Steimel, we will be conducting a lockdown drill during morning arrival during the month of April. The exact date and time of this drill will not be announced in advance and parents dropping off students may experience a brief delay as we implement lockdown procedures.

On our district website, please familiarize yourself with this <u>Emergency Information Guide for Parents and Guardians</u> which outlines your roles in the event of an emergency. While every emergency situation can be unique and pose its own challenges, if you ever enter the property and observe that blue strobe lights are flashing, you will not be permitted to access the building and/or school grounds. The flashing blue strobes are a signal for you to leave the campus immediately.

Our building emergency plans are very comprehensive and are developed with input from local law enforcement, building and districtwide committees, Board of Education committees, and guidance from the NY State Education Department and are confidential to the building. We are conducting this drill to simulate a lockdown during morning arrival, but please rest assured that we are taking the necessary precautions to ensure that students are not put into dangerous or traumatic situations during this drill.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me at 631-801-3173.

Sincerely,

Thomas Fabian Principal Eastport Elementary School