

As you may be aware from recent news reports, a student at [REDACTED] School was recently accosted while waiting for the bus. [REDACTED] safety officers and the [REDACTED] Police Department are investigating this incident and are working to identify the suspect. This is an unfortunate incident that reminds us to take extra steps daily to ensure the safety and well being of our students.

Please make it a priority to communicate the following safety tips with your students before dismissal today:

While waiting for the bus ...

- Avoid dark and isolated areas and always wait with other students - use the buddy system.
- Be aware of your surroundings.
- If a stranger pulls up to the curb, step away from the curb and do not speak to him/her.
- Report any unusual activities or people to your principal or other adults at your school when you arrive.

We must work together to keep our neighborhoods safe for our students as they travel to and from school and wait at bus stops. We will be sending out additional information on safety for you to share with your students.