

**Northport-East Northport School District  
Northport, NY**

**Office of the Superintendent**

***AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO PARENTS***

September 26, 2007

Dear Parents/Guardians:

At around 1:00 pm this afternoon, several fourth grade girls at Pulaski Road School were approached by someone in a teal blue pickup truck with Virginia plates. This person tried to engage the girls in conversation, and then drove away. The Principal at Pulaski immediately notified the Second Precinct and filed a report. Because it was within minutes of dismissal time, there was not enough time to send this letter home today. A letter will be sent home tomorrow. All principals and security were promptly informed about the situation.

Although our community is a safe one, because of our constantly changing world, we must be ever vigilant about protecting our children. In our educational program, we stress personal safety. We do include as part of our safety education program specific suggestions for responding to incidents like this, e.g., never talk to strangers, run to a neighbor's home, etc. Given this incident, we will ask staff to reinforce this message. We also suggest that you take time to review these procedures at home so that our children hear consistent messages from school and home. Working in partnership, we will continue to keep our community safe for our children.

Your help is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Marylou McDermott, Ed.D.  
Superintendent of Schools