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Dear Parents,

Due to the recent tragedy in Newtown, Conn., the Dell Rapids Public Schools' District Crisis Team met and discussed our own district plans regarding student safety. The District Crisis Team is comprised of representatives from central office, each school and the school resource officer.

On Wednesday, a lockdown drill for students grades K-12 was conducted. The activity was not meant to scare students and was prefaced with a statement of assurance that a drill, not a real event, was taking place. The District Crisis Team collected information and it will assist to strengthen our current practices and ensure staff is properly trained to lead students in a crisis situation.

I have added a document on our Web site which can be used by parents and caregivers. The document provides suggestions for discussing violent events with children. I encourage you to take a look at the resource and use it to assist with questions your child may have.

Should you have any questions or concerns related to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact myself or your building principal.

Sincerely,

Summer Schultz, Superintendent