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Dear Families and Staff of GPS:

I hope you had a well-deserved wonderful and relaxing weekend.

**Safety and Security Update**

This past week, I emailed you with a short review and reminders of our current safety and security procedures. In addition, I also asked you for your questions and comments. I have read every single one of them so far, and the majority of responses involve the idea of having a police or security officer at every school building during a normal school day. I have also heard from many of you in person, or via email.

In response to your feedback, starting tomorrow, and through the last day of school, the Greenwich Police Department will be mobilizing additional officers to have a larger presence in and around our buildings for the entire length of the school day. I hope that this adjustment helps to alleviate some of the anxiety our staff, students, and families have been experiencing.

We will aim to have an officer at each school, but we will undoubtedly have days where the department is unable to staff for that capacity given staff shortages. In those instances, there is a well-defined plan for multiple school sites in close proximity to share an officer. But rest assured, the GPD will do everything in their power to assign as many officers to our schools as possible.

As a reminder, due to the size of the student body and campus grounds at Greenwich High School, there are 10 security staff members located onsite every day and two GPD Officers (commonly known as School Resource Officers) assigned. This will not change.

Thank you to everyone that took a few minutes to offer their feedback. I hope everyone is looking forward to another great week of school.

Dr. Toni Jones  
Superintendent of Schools