

VALLEY STREAM UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT THIRTY

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Dear Parent(s)/Guardian(s):

Local law enforcement authorities have advised the district, pursuant to Article 6-C of the New York State Correction Law (also known as "Megan's Law") that a registered Level 1 sex offender is residing within the vicinity of the Valley Stream District Thirty community.

A copy of the information the district received is enclosed herewith.

In addition, information regarding the sex offender notification law and a current registry is available at <http://criminaljustice.state.ny.us> (click on New York State Sex Offender Registry). If you are unable to contact this web site or wish to obtain information, you may also call the Special Victims Squad of the Nassau County Police Department at (516) 573-8059.

The Board of Education recognizes its responsibility for the health, safety and welfare of the children enrolled in district schools and for those participating in district programs or events.

Upon receipt of the enclosed information from law enforcement authorities, the district has alerted district personnel to be aware and to notify their immediate supervisor in the event that any suspicious person is observed in an area where children congregate. We also ask your cooperation in notifying authorities should this offender be seen on or near school property or any other place where school children may congregate.

Please be assured that the school staff continues to educate our children concerning issues of safety in order to make them aware and to enable them to make appropriate decisions concerning their personal safety. I urge you to extend these important discussions to your home.

Finally, please be further advised that it is a violation of the law to use the information you receive to harass or discriminate against any individual.

Yours truly,

Elaine Kanas

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If you would like to request a translation of this letter to a language other than English or Spanish, please call the Superintendent's Office at 285-9881.

The mission of Valley Stream District Thirty, through collaboration with parents and community partners, is to educate all students to their highest levels of performance in nurturing learning environments that are safe, inclusive and student centered.