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Dear Families,

At Genesee Valley the safety of our children, faculty, and staff is our first priority. The recent tragedies in the nation bring an increased awareness and serve as a reminder of the importance of safety procedures in schools. We partner with local law enforcement and are thankful for the recent increased visibility on campus. We practice and plan annually for emergency situations and frequently review incident plans and best practices. GVCS practices safety procedures regularly and are mindful of school safety every day, not just after an incident.

Some current safety procedures at GV include the following:

- Keeping all exterior doors locked.
- Requiring visitors to always be screened at entrances.
- Video surveillance systems with digital cameras that may be shared with police and fire responders during emergency situations.
- Updated phone, fire alarm, and public address systems.
- Conduct safety and lockdown drills annually.
- Leadership team and BOE participate on Safety Committee.
- CPR, AED, and numerous other trainings and first aid procedures are regularly offered.

What can you do to help?

- Keep informed via the District's newsletters, website, social media, GV app, and electronic newsletters.
- If you see something, say something. If it is an emergency call 911. If it is not an emergency, please call the District directly at 585-268-7900.
- Contact us immediately if you observe or become aware of any potential safety or security concerns.
- Keep your emergency contact information current with the school Guidance office.
- Review safety precautions with your children at home.
- If a real emergency ever occurs, please follow directions provided to you to reconnect with your child. Emergency and school officials may need to make decisions to ensure safety and preserve order. In some situations, students may be transported to alternate locations or released to you at a specific location.
- Follow visitor policies when you come to school by entering through the main entrance. Please do not deliver any items to anyone outside and bring everything to the Welcome Desk at the main entrance.

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During this last month of school, the District will focus on the well-being of its students and staff. All year, teachers, staff, and principals work tirelessly to create a safe and comfortable learning environment. We must continue to take care of one another. Thank you for your continued support and care for our children and each other.

Sincerely,



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