



IMAGINE LINCOLN
PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL

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Dear Imagine Lincoln Families,

I am writing to inform you about an incident that happened in our neighborhood, near Imagine Lincoln Public Charter School.

At 3:10pm on Tuesday February 14, 2023, I was informed by local law enforcement that there was a serious incident, involving armed persons in the surrounding area of the school. Local law enforcement assigned to our school urged the school to delay the release of scholars who walk home, in particular. There was also a slight delay with car riders as well. However, at no time were our staff and scholars in danger; it is customary to take extra precaution in instances like this. Therefore, we adjusted our process and released our van riders first, car riders second, and walkers third. Since we had already begun our dismissal process by the time we were notified of this event, it was nearly impossible to contact parents at that particular time.

Know that our goal is to always keep our scholars safe, which we were prepared to do, even if it meant delaying our dismissal process. Fortunately, our dismissal process was only delayed by 15 minutes. We were simply trying to follow the lead of the local law enforcement, who are our community partners.

We truly appreciate your patience and support today, and yet understand the concerns that some of you had. In meeting with law enforcement officers after the aforementioned event, we realize there are some additional measures that can be taken to improve situations like this in the future. Please know that the safety of scholars is our top priority. Therefore, we are requesting that you be patient and open to adjusting to emergency protocols, to ensure a safe departure for all scholars.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Lance.Pace@pgcps.org or 301-808-5600. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lance Pace".
Lance Pace
Principal