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*Superintendent*

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Dear Manor and Penn Valley Families,

Shortly before dismissal, at 3:25 pm this afternoon, we received a call from Bucks County Department of Emergency Communications informing us that due to police activity in the area, Manor and Penn Valley Elementary Schools should be placed in lockdown. The lockdown lasted approximately 90 seconds. When the Bucks County Department of Emergency Communications issued an “all clear,” we resumed dismissal. Police believe the incident reported to the Bucks County Department of Emergency Communications was a hoax and are investigating.

Many parents and caregivers were on site when the lockdown was initiated. We thank you for your patience and understanding as we worked through this with local law enforcement. It is our hope that we will not have to be in that position again, however, should it become necessary for us to initiate lockdown procedures at dismissal, the school principal or designee will provide instructions for families or caregivers on site.

Sincerely,

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As a reminder, Pennsbury uses [Safe2Say](#), an anonymous tip line, to alert us to any individual who may be struggling and/or in danger of causing harm to themselves or others. Every tip is investigated.

MISSION

Recognizing our proud traditions and diverse community, the Pennsbury School District prepares all students to become creative, ethical, and critical thinkers for lifelong success in a global society.