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Dear Parents, Staff and Community Members:

In accordance with the New York State Correction Law, Article 6C, Sex Offender Registration Act (Megan's Law), the Suffolk County Police Department periodically informs the School District when convicted sex offenders move within Bay Shore. In accordance with Board of Education policy, members of our staff are subsequently notified in an effort to safeguard the well being of our students.

The information provided to us by the police is available for review. School district residents may view the information in person at the District Office, 75 West Perkal Street, Bay Shore. You will be asked to provide your name and address, and to provide some means of identification. Once you view the information, other than sharing it with family members or babysitters who care for your children, it is expected that this information will be kept confidential. The school district's attorneys state that it is my legal obligation to advise you that it would be illegal to use this information to commit a crime against that person, to engage in illegal discrimination or harass the individual.

For your convenience, you may also view information regarding sex offenders or Megan’s Law in general, by viewing the New York State Department of Criminal Justice website: www.criminaljustice.state.ny.us or a website created by concerned parents: www.parentsformeganslaw.com.

It is unfortunate but necessary, that we all take this opportunity to review safety rules with our children and remind them to avoid circumstances which might increase their vulnerability. Please help your children keep this in the proper perspective by reassuring them that ours is a very safe community, but in this day and age, everyone needs to be alert and careful.

Yours truly,

Mr. Joseph C. Bond
Superintendent of Schools