



KENTUCKY STATE POLICE

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Rodney Brewer
Commissioner

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Principal Deborah Brown
Gallatin County Upper Elementary School
50 Paw Print Path
Warsaw, Kentucky 41095

Dear Principal Brown:

In the wake of recent acts of school violence across the United States, Kentucky State Police Commissioner Rodney Brewer has made the decision to formally reinstitute our "Adopt-A-School" Program which started several years ago.

The concept of the "Adopt-A-School" Program is simple in nature. Troopers and Detectives are encouraged to visit schools in their patrol area whenever possible and can occur at any time during the school day or after hours. These visits will vary in duration and may include general welfare checks, using the telephone, computer, or conducting administrative duties, such as reports. In addition, our Troopers and Detectives will interact with the students, when feasible, to promote safety and security. They will always abide by school security policies and procedures and will never enter your facility, without the knowledge of you or your designee, unless exigent circumstances dictate otherwise.

Troopers and Detectives, who do not normally work during the day, will be encouraged to attend school functions and sporting events whenever possible. In addition, they will conduct safety and security checks of school buildings and property during evening hours. When the Troopers and Detectives conduct these security checks, they will leave documentation recording the visit. The documentation may be in the form of a written note left at the school or correspondence in the form of letter or email addressed to your office.

Commissioner Brewer has recently appointed a Safe Schools Committee within the Kentucky State Police to study and provide in-depth recommendations regarding our school safety efforts. Our objective is to develop a "tool kit" that you, as a school administrator, with our assistance, can modify to your specific school environment. Our ultimate goal is to develop a partnership with our local schools to aid in student development, target harden the school environment, and prevent school violence.

I look forward to forming our partnership, which together, will foster and ensure a safe haven for learning. A Kentucky State Police representative will be contacting you, in person, in the near future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Capt. Dean Hayes". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "H" and a long, sweeping underline.

Captain Dean Hayes
Post Commander, Post 5
Campbellsburg