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Dear Parents,

Several students reported this morning that a black limousine driven by a Hispanic male approached them as they waited at their bus stops. The driver said, "Want a ride?" and "My father is missing. Will you help me find him?" This occurred at two separate bus stops located at N. Pine Dr and N. Elm St. and also at N. Pine Dr. and N. Pine St. The students used good judgment and did not go near the limousine. The driver drove away without further incident.

We have notified both the 7th and 8th precincts and the incident is under investigation. The bus company has also been notified with a request that the bus driver be on the look out for a vehicle that fits the description.

It is always a good idea to periodically review safety concerns with your children. Now seems to be an appropriate time. Please have a conversation with your child and remind him or her of the importance of bringing any concerns or information they might have to an adult in school or at home.

Our staff has been given this information. Our psychologists, social workers, counselors and staff are available to assist any student who needs to discuss this or similar incidents.

Sincerely,

Luis A. Peña
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