



THE GOAL OF THE FARMINGDALE PUBLIC SCHOOLS IS TO ESTABLISH  
OURSELVES AS A HIGH ACHIEVING SCHOOL DISTRICT AS EVIDENCED BY HIGH  
LEVELS OF STUDENT PERFORMANCE IN ALL AREAS INCLUDING NEW YORK  
STATE ASSESSMENTS AND REGENTS EXAMS

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Dear Parents,

We have been notified by Mr. Glen Zakian, Principal of Farmingdale High School, of the following incident:

*“Two female students from Farmingdale High School were approached and encountered “forcible touching” on an ankle and foot by a 25-35 year old male in Lincoln Park at 2:20 p.m. yesterday. Our students were not harmed. Lincoln Park is located on the same road as the high school, two blocks to the east. The perpetrator drove away in a tan or beige Toyota. The police are now actively involved in an investigation.*

*I cannot emphasize how important it is for you to have a discussion with your children regarding safety and dealing with strangers. I believe that the parks and surrounding woods can be a dangerous place to pass through and gather. I want to assure you that we continue to work closely with the police and the community to provide a safe environment for our students.”*

Howitt Middle School’s psychologists, social workers, counselors and staff are available to assist any student who needs to discuss this or similar incidents.

Sincerely,

Luis A. Peña