

Dear Parent and Students,

I am writing to inform you of a devastating incident involving one of our North Garden students. We regret to share the news of the loss of a student due to a tragic incident while crossing the street after exiting from the metro bus at approximately 7 am on 183rd street and 46th Avenue. Despite immediate medical attention, the student succumbed to his injuries.

This unforeseen loss has profoundly impacted our entire school community, leaving us in shock and grieving. We understand that this news is incredibly difficult to comprehend, and our priority at this time is to provide unwavering support and solace to the student's family, our students, families, and staff.

Our school's Family Support Specialists, in conjunction with those from our other Miami schools, are prepared to offer guidance and assistance to students and families as they navigate through this difficult period.

We will also take this opportunity to reinforce the importance of using designated crosswalks to our students. It is crucial to emphasize the vulnerability of pedestrians when crossing the street without utilizing crosswalks and to ensure that this incident serves as a reminder to always prioritize safety.

In the wake of this tragic accident, our team will convene to address the circumstances and continue to work towards implementing preventive measures to avoid similar incidents in the future. Our ultimate objective is to create a safer environment for our students by implementing strategies that prioritize their well-being.

As a close-knit community, we stand together to offer our heartfelt condolences, support, and strength to the student's family and one another.

Sincerely

Dr. Laura Vesga, Principal