



## **LEWIS COUNTY MIDDLE SCHOOL**

*"Building a Community of Lifetime Learners"*



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Dear Parent/Guardian(s):

In an effort to keep an open line of communication with all stakeholders of Lewis County Middle School and in light of the recent events in Western Kentucky yesterday, I wanted to inform you of an event that occurred today. We received a report that a 6<sup>th</sup> grade student brought a small ammunition shell to school. School administration acted promptly to confiscate the shell. The school has followed all board policies and procedures. The school has met with the parents of the student and law enforcement has been notified. There was no threat of violence or any danger to the students or staff of the school.

Providing a safe and secure learning environment is the top priority of the Lewis County School District and we take these incidents very seriously. Extensive security measures are in place to help us maintain a safe campus.

As parents, you can help. Please take this opportunity to speak to your child about the importance of school safety. While peer pressure is great at this age, we want to encourage students to feel comfortable reporting any information they may have that compromises their safety and the safety of others. Working together we can maintain an environment where students are free to focus on learning.

As always, I welcome your comments and questions. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you should have any concerns.

Sincerely,

Billy R Allen  
Lewis Co. Middle Principal