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Dear Parents and Guardians:

This week, Kissel Hill has received three student reports about suspicious vehicles in the neighborhood between 6<sup>th</sup> Street and Owl Hill Road from Turkey Hill to the Lititz Public Library. The reports varied, with the only consistent element being the color of the vehicle (white).

After receiving the student report, I contacted the Lititz Police who began patrolling the area. In addition, we sent several staff members out to the area before and after school as an added precaution. I personally called each family living in this neighborhood to inform them of the student reports. Also, Mr. Cascarino met with the patrols from this area and organized procedures for all students to walk to and from school as a group when possible. To date, we have not had any confirmed incidents or actual police records of incidents related to the suspicious vehicle.

Lititz Police Department has reviewed the information we collected and has not found a common theme in the reports. They continue to monitor the area for similar reports and will keep Kissel Hill informed if additional information becomes available.

As always, we continue to encourage safe practices for all families, including pedestrian safety and neighborhood safety. Parents should consider speaking to your children about how they can react if approached by a stranger. Here are a few websites that may be helpful with these discussions:

- Walking To School Safety Tips (Detroit Public Schools):  
<http://www.detroitk12.org/resources/tips/>
- Home Alone and Stranger Danger Safety Tips:  
[http://www.sdhdidaho.org/hpro/injury\\_prev\\_stranger.php](http://www.sdhdidaho.org/hpro/injury_prev_stranger.php)

Please contact the Lititz Police if you find suspicious activity in your area. If you have questions or concerns, feel free to contact me.

Thank you,

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Principal