

MERAMEC VALLEY R-III

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

We are pleased to inform parents and guardians of our student body of an initiative by the Missouri State Highway Patrol to have a more visible presence in schools across Missouri starting next month.

Representatives from the Missouri State Highway Patrol have contacted school districts across Missouri, including Meramec Valley R-III School District, requesting permission to have state troopers walk the halls during school hours. As time permits during the regular school hours at the various buildings, the Patrol has offered to present programs about general safety and various state laws. As mentioned above, this program is part of a state-wide initiative by the Missouri State Highway Patrol, and is not due to any study, safety concern, or worry related to any pre-existing safety problem within the District.

The benefit of this program is two-fold: 1) an added level of security for our children, and 2) the opportunity for the student body to interact with state troopers in a positive learning environment. Please keep this program in mind when you see highway patrol cars in the schools' parking lots or when your children mention state troopers walking the hallways of school buildings.

We ask you to join us in welcoming the presence of our local state troopers as a part of our community and to view this program as an opportunity to enhance the elements of our existing school safety plan.

Should you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call or visit us at Central Office.

Sincerely,



Dr. Jeremy Way
Co-Interim Superintendent



Dr. Terri Parks
Co-Interim Superintendent

"Together We Make A Difference In Doing What's Best For Kids"

