



January 18, 2020

Dear Horseheads High School Parents and Guardians:

We are very saddened to report that one of our students has died as the result of a motor vehicle accident last evening. Our hearts are with the student's family and friends. Four other students - three from Horseheads and one from Elmira - were also in the vehicle and have varying degrees of injuries. We are also sending our thoughts to these students as they work through the healing process.

We know that you will work through this sad time with your children, but please know that we have resources to assist, and we are here to help. While High School students are not required to be in school next week unless they have an exam, they are welcome to come to school to speak with a school counselor, psychologist, social worker, or any adult who can provide help during this difficult time. Buses will be running as usual if your student needs to get to school for assistance.

In the meantime, if your student needs assistance before Tuesday, please contact our Safe Schools Line at 795-2044 or 800-305-4984. Please be sure to give your name and number so that we can get back to you. Please feel free to contact Kris Earl, interim principal, at 739-5601, x1600 with questions or concerns.

We share in the grief of this tragedy, and we are here to help our students in any way that we can. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dr. Thomas J. Douglas
Superintendent of Schools