

November 7, 2022

Dear RTM Families,

I wanted to inform you of a report we received regarding a stopped vehicle asking a high school student to approach the vehicle while the student was waiting for the school bus on Middletown Road. The vehicle was a dark gray Ford 150 pickup truck. The driver pulled up to the student's driveway and asked the student to come to the car. The student's parent observed this and approached the vehicle, but the driver did not respond to the parent and drove off. The driver is described as a white male, thin build, wearing a baseball hat and glasses. A report was filed with the State Police, and the Media and Upper Providence Police Departments were informed as well.

Although we are not sure there was ill-intent in this situation, in an abundance of caution, we are notifying you. Please take this opportunity to reinforce with your children that they should never approach a vehicle and/or engage in conversation with an adult while waiting for a bus or walking to/from a bus stop or school. We have sent communication directly to our students at Springton Lake Middle School and Penncrest High School reminding them of the same. Our elementary school students have been reminded of this as well in the context of reviewing school bus rules and safe school bus behaviors so as to not cause undue alarm.

Regards,
Dr. D.