



Town of Salem

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Dear fellow townspeople,

I am heartbroken by the recent senseless violence at a Texas Elementary School.

After meeting with Salem Superintendent Brian Hendrickson, Acting Selectman Kevin Lyden and Salem Emergency Management Director Mike Bednarz, I have directed Salem State Police Resident Troopers Duffy and Crosby to be present at our Salem School for the remainder of this week.

Salem is a very safe community. This is a pro-active public safety initiative. There are currently no safety threats at the Salem School.

Within the last month, my public safety staff and I have met with Salem School Administrators to update safety and security plans.

I have offered Superintendent Hendrickson and his staff my full support.

Superintendent Hendrickson is in communication with the Board of Education and the administrative team. He and the administrative team will be releasing updated information to the school community later this evening.

Please continue to pray for the victims and their families and thank our Resident Troopers for keeping us safe.

Ed Chmielewski
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