

# *Beckwith Middle School*

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

This correspondence is a follow-up to my email and to clarify information about an incident that occurred at D.L. Beckwith Middle School on Friday, May 29, 2009.

A seventh grade student was found in possession of a clip of live ammunition during a class on Friday. The clip was noticed and confiscated by a teacher who reported the details of the incident to Mr. Dzialo and Mrs. Pincince. The school was put into a lockdown and the Rehoboth Police Department was immediately notified. No students or staff were harmed during this event and after a thorough investigation, the lockdown was terminated. No weapons were ever involved in the incident, however the ammunition itself was enough to cause us to exercise extreme caution. The administrative team takes each report of a potentially dangerous situation seriously, investigates thoroughly, and deals with all issues promptly. Unfortunately in this situation lead to a slight delay in dismissal for which we apologize.

We would like to take this opportunity to commend our students, parents, staff, and police for their cooperation throughout the incident. Should you have any questions or concerns regarding this event or school safety, please contact the school to speak with an administrator.

Sincerely,

Debra L. Pincince  
Principal

Cc: Dr. Kathleen Montagano, Superintendent  
Dr. Jennifer Wordell, Assistant Superintendent