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### Dear Parents/Guardians:

Under the Sex Offender Registration Act (Megan's Law), the Lakeland Central School District has received notification from the NYS Sex Offender Registry that a level 2 sex offender is residing in the area in Cortlandt Manor, NY. Level 2 sex offenders are those individuals who pose a moderate risk of committing sexual offenses again. As per district policy, relevant and appropriate information regarding this offender is posted on the district website (<a href="http://www.lakelandschools.org/meganslaw">http://www.lakelandschools.org/meganslaw</a>).

You may obtain further information by contacting the New York State Sex Offenders Registry at 1-800-262-3257. Information can also be accessed on-line at:

http://www.criminaljustice.ny.gov/SomsSUBDirectory/offenderDetails.jsp?offenderid=26611

Please take time to speak with your children about contacts with strangers and safety measures, and to encourage them to speak with you about situations that make them feel uncomfortable. District staff continues to work with children on appropriate strategies to protect themselves in situations that are potentially dangerous to them.

If you would like more information on Megan's Law, you can access the website called "Parents for Megan's Law" at <a href="https://www.parentsformeganslaw.org">https://www.parentsformeganslaw.org</a>. They note that the most important measure that you can take is to never leave children unsupervised.

The Lakeland Central School District administration is ensuring that all staff members are aware of this information. Continued education and dialogue between the school district, parents/guardians and community members create a safer environment for children and promote a reasonable response to threats to our children's safety.

This information is being provided to you for the safety of your children. Please be advised that anyone who uses this information to injure, harass or commit a criminal act against any person may be subject to criminal prosecution.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

George E. Stone, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools

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