September 21, 2017

Dear Parents and Guardians:

We are sending this letter home to all schools in the Campbell-Kapolei Complex Area after similar “stranger danger” reports were made at three elementary schools in the past week. In all three cases, students walking to or from school reported being approached by a male in a black or dark-colored truck who offered them a ride. In one case, a student reported being grabbed the male in an attempted abduction. In all cases, no students were injured and the incidents were reported to parents and/or school officials. The Honolulu Police Department is investigating.

The safety of your children is of utmost importance to us. We are sending this letter to you as a precaution and to encourage you to speak to your child regarding measures to stay safe, specifically about “stranger danger.”

Please reinforce with your child the following safety measures:

- Stay away from strangers. Do not talk to or take anything from them.
- Don’t go anywhere with someone you don’t know. Never accept a ride from a stranger.
- Stay more than an arm’s reach from strangers. If a stranger approaches you, seek help immediately from a trusted adult.
- Use the buddy system. Avoid walking anywhere alone.
- If a stranger grabs you, do whatever it takes to stop the stranger and yell for help.
- Report any suspicious activity to a trusted adult.
- Be alert of your surroundings and let others know where you will be and what time you will be back.

We appreciate your help as we work together to keep all of our students safe. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your school administrators.

Sincerely,

Heidi Armstrong
Complex Area Superintendent