

Dear Hopkinton families and residents.

As you likely know, on Tuesday, October 1, 2024, Hopkinton High School (HHS) was the target of a swatting incident, which called police, fire, and school officials away from their work to answer to what proved to be an unnerving hoax. (Here is the link to [HPD Lieutenant van Raalten's press release](#).)

Additionally, we recently had an incident on the Loop Road where someone got uncomfortably close to a group of students in one of our PE/Wellness classes.

The schools, along with our police partners, have reviewed these events. Accordingly, in an effort to better ensure student safety, **we are asking that residents refrain from using the HHS track and fields as well as the tennis and basketball courts during the regular school day, from 8:00AM to 3:00PM.**

We understand this may interrupt people's regular exercise routines; however, student safety *must* be paramount to all else in the Hopkinton Public Schools.

We thank you for your understanding.

Truly,

Carol Cavanaugh