



HINGHAM PUBLIC SCHOOLS

220 Central Street • Hingham, Massachusetts 02043

781-741-1500 VOICE • 781-749-7457 FAX

madams@hinghamschools.org

www.hinghamschools.com

Dr. Margaret Adams
Superintendent of Schools

January 23, 2023

Dear HPS Families and Staff,

I am sure many of you have heard the terrible news about the events at Monterey Park in California earlier this weekend during the Lunar New Year celebrations. There is still much to be learned in the coming days about these tragic acts.

As we continue to process this event's impact, I wanted to provide you with some resources and a few strategies for processing this and other violent incidents with your child(ren) who may have been exposed to these violent, stressful, and scary events.

This [infographic](#) may help you respond to your child's questions as they come up. Caregivers and parents can find additional tips for talking to children about violence on the [National Association of School Psychologists \(NASP\) site](#). An article from [Learning for Justice](#) and this [Common Sense Media](#) blog post are designed for caregivers and provide helpful information.

To our Hingham School community, students, staff, and families from the Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community, please know that our community stands with you. We will support you by promoting equity and justice for all Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) students and staff in our schools. We will continue to strive to protect the rights of all people within our community.

Kind regards,

Margaret Adams

Superintendent of Schools