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To: everyone
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Subject: How MCC would respond to a critical situation

Our hearts go out to the families, students and staff at Virginia Tech after yesterday's tragic incident.

Mott Community College Public Safety is prepared to respond should a critical incident occur on our campus.

You should know the following facts:

- MCC Public Safety is a real police department staffed by trained, veteran police officers. MCC was the first community college in Michigan to have a true police department. There are also student officers who perform patrol, escort and other duties but the key police duties are handled by sworn officers who are trained, armed and have arrest powers.
- MCC Public Safety continually trains for emergency situations. Just last December, the department held a lockdown drill with Mott Middle College in the Mott Memorial Building. In just the last 3 years, over 30 such training exercises have been held.
- MCC Public Safety can instantly communicate with the entire main campus through a public announcement system that can deliver a spoken message to all campus buildings. There are other alarms systems as well. The campus would not be reliant on emails and other time-delayed systems.
- Mott Community College has an established Emergency Response Team consisting of staff trained in building evacuation and other situations. If called for, this uniformed team goes into action within minutes of an alert and will take positions at key points in every building to direct people as to appropriate action.
- The College President has in advance granted full authority to MCC Public Safety in a critical situation. No time would be lost in seeking authority from the College President for appropriate action.
- MCC Public Safety can be reached from all campus phones. At desk phones, simply dial 0. With a cell phone dial 911. Emergency push button stations are located throughout all campus buildings. From a campus pay phone, you can dial 911 or 762-5666 with no charge for those calls. Please report all suspicious behavior by contact Public Safety.
- Cameras and audio monitors are located around campus. For more information go to http://www.mcc.edu/16_pubsafety/ps_tips.shtml
- MCC Public Safety maintains close collaborations with the Flint Police Department, Genesee County Sheriff's Department, Michigan State Police and UM-Flint Public Safety to assist in any critical situation.

Mott Community College takes seriously its responsibility to provide a safe campus environment.

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