



P.S. 88Q
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Dear Parents/Guardians,

The safety and well-being of all of our students and staff members at PS 88Q is our highest priority. Towards that end, we are informing you about an incident that took place today, February 15, 2023, in which we evacuated our school building due to the fire alarm sounding.. The third floor sensor shorted and activated the alarm system.

We immediately followed our General Response Protocols, evacuated our building and contacted the Fire Department (FDNY). All students and staff evacuated our school building for approximately 12 minutes until clearance to return to our school building was given by the FDNY. The FDNY as well as our Custodial Engineer confirmed that the alarm was the result of a short in the alarm panel, and determined that there was no imminent danger to students and staff. All necessary repairs will be made.

We assure you that every precaution was taken and will continue to be taken to ensure the safety of our students and staff. I want to thank all of our students and staff for their cooperation during this brief evacuation.

We look forward to your continued partnership as we work together to ensure that P.S. 88Q continues to provide the best and safest learning environment possible for all of our students and staff.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Linda O'Shaughnessy at loshaughnessy@schools.nyc.gov

Thank you,
Linda O'Shaughnessy
Principal, PS 88Q