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Dear Morrisville School Community,

Towards the end of this past week, a few of our Middle/Senior High School students were witnessed shooting at each other with airsoft guns across the street from the M/S HS during dismissal. This unacceptable and unsafe behavior resulted in our school crossing guard being struck by one of the soft gel or water ball projectiles loaded into the airsoft guns. This reckless and dangerous behavior is unacceptable on or off our school campus. Any students engaging in this type of behavior or possessing these airsoft guns will be addressed according to our Student Handbook and School Board Policy and in cooperation with our Morrisville Borough Police Department.

This behavior is not unique to our Morrisville community. Unfortunately, this is part of a newer social media trend, known as the [“Orbeez Challenge.”](#) occurring across the country and being encouraged on various social media platforms. The “Orbeez Challenge” involves using airsoft guns loaded with projectiles such as soft gel or water pellets and shooting each other, random bystanders, or even cars. We cannot emphasize how dangerous it is to point a gun, real or fake, and the dire consequences that may result. We will not tolerate this behavior and encourage our families to speak with their children about the serious dangers of this behavior.

Nothing is more important than the health, safety, and well-being of our entire school community. We take situations like this very seriously and cannot stress enough how important it is for our students to make good decisions. A poor decision made in a split second may result in consequences that have life-long effects and jeopardize the future of our talented youth.

Our District will continue to educate and support our students in making good decisions and becoming the future leaders necessary for our community. Thank you for your continued support and effort in guiding our students to have a positive community impact. Should you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to your child’s principal.

Sincerely,

Sean D. Haines