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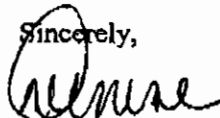
Dear Mr. Abney:

This letter shall serve to follow-up on my correspondence to you of July 29, 2008.

After further investigation into the issues raised concerning utilization of Room 20 at the Block Island School, the following have been determined:

1. That Room 20 was used on November 30, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. involving student "█" in accordance with the written incident report provided to you earlier. Slide latches were used.
2. On two separate occasions, an adult teacher was outside Room 20 with student "█" inside Room 20.
3. There was no written behavioral plan/crisis intervention plan regarding "█" that would have authorized the utilization of Room 20 with the slide latch.
4. The individual education plan of "█" did not include a written behavioral plan/crisis intervention.
5. Bradley Hospital consultants, or specifically the authors of the report of February 13, 2007, recommended the creation of "a safe, quiet area for" "█" but the room utilized, Room 20, was not done in consultation with the Bradley Hospital staff.
6. According to Susan Stevenson and Christopher Suchmann, different latches are required for the time-out room and are fully described in their enclosed report of July 23, 2008.

Sincerely,



Denise Lombardo Myers

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Cc: Leslie Ryan, Superintendent
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Enclosure: Bradley report