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## State superintendent statement on school shooting in Madison

MADISON – State Superintendent Dr. Jill Underly released the following statement regarding a school shooting today at Abundant Life Christian School.

“Our hearts are heavy with great sorrow as we mourn the senseless loss of life in yet another school shooting. No community should ever face the pain of losing children, teachers, or friends to violence – especially in our schools. Our schools are meant to be safe places.

“This tragedy is a stark reminder that we must do more to protect our children and our educators to ensure that such horrors never happen again. We will not rest until we find solutions that make our schools safe, and so our children feel secure. We owe it to every student, parent, and teacher to turn this great sense of grief that we are experiencing into action and build a future where senseless acts of violence are no longer a reality. The time for change is long past. Together, we will stand strong and demand the safety our children deserve.”

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**NOTE:** An official photo of Dr. Underly is available on the [Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction’s website](#). This news release is available online on the [DPI’s website](#).