

Written after the shootings at Virginia Tech:

To the Editor of the Times,

The Times article, “Local schools see wakeup call for improved security,” asks for increasing communication. Shouldn’t we also be calling for increased vigilance on the part of all school personnel to promptly involve their guidance staff about reclusive, angry students? We must also ask if our schools employ the number of guidance counselors recommended by the American School Counselor Association. The public should have a role in preparing a school budget with adequate funds for a quality guidance department.

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