

MADISON - Senator **Lena Taylor** (D-Milwaukee) will visit Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake Schools with Senator **Nikiya Harris Dodd** (D-Milwaukee) today. The two legislators will be joined by faith and community leaders from Milwaukee and family members of residents at the facilities.

Early this morning, the two legislators held a listening session on the bus with family members of the residents on the drive to Irma, Wisconsin. Upon arrival, they plan to visit with the kids living at the facilities today from 11 am until 3pm.



Senator Taylor's previous trip in late December was cancelled due to dangerous driving conditions. Today's group includes representatives of the clergy and community leaders with experience working with youth.

In 2009, Taylor as the Senate Judiciary Committee Chair took the Committee on a statewide "State of the Justice System" tour, holding listening sessions throughout Wisconsin, including inside of prisons.

Because media are not allowed into the juvenile facilities, the group will make themselves available to the media after their listening sessions.



WHO: Senator Lena Taylor, Senator Nikiya Harris Dodd, Tina Nixon, spoken word performer from My Sister's Keeper and Community Advocate Jermaine Reed.

WHAT: Press Conference about their listening session.

3pm today: Lincoln Hills and Copper Lake Schools, W4380 Copper Lake Road, Irma, WI 54442

(In the lower parking lot just off the main entrance)

7pm today: Lee's School, 921 West Meinecke Ave, Milwaukee, WI 53206

(In the parking lot)

Note: Due to the unpredictability of today's events, please be patient, as these times may be adjusted as the day's events unfold. Members of the media wishing to attend are encouraged to contact Craig Trost in Senator Lena Taylor's office to ensure the group is still on schedule.