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Dear TJHSST Parents and Guardians,

Late this morning, we were made aware of graffiti in a school restroom that threatens a shooting at the school on "Thursday." We have notified the Office of Safety and Security and the Fairfax County Police who have responded and are actively investigating. We will provide an update later this evening. Out of an abundance of caution, we will have additional security at the school tomorrow morning.

If you or your student has any information to share about this situation, please contact our Office of Safety at 571-423-2000 or through our anonymous [safety tip line](#) that you can access online, by text or by phone.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ann N. Bonitatibus

TJHSST Principal



05/01/2024

Dear TJHSST Families:

As promised, I am sending you an update to a communication sent this afternoon regarding a graffiti message containing a threat to school safety.

First, the safety of your children and our staff is our highest priority. We take all threats seriously and use all resources at our disposal to thoroughly investigate all leads. Second, I would like to sincerely thank many in our community who stepped forward with information to aid our process.

Based on our school's ongoing investigation, and in consultation with the FCPS Office of Safety and Security, we have determined the risk level to our school to be low. School administration will take appropriate action with consequences and/or support for any violations to our [Student Rights and Responsibilities](#).

Out of an abundance of caution tomorrow, we will have an increased security presence on campus. The Fairfax County Police Department will regularly patrol our school grounds. In addition to our regular School Resource Officer, an additional School Resource Officer will be assigned to our school for the day. Finally, the Office of Safety and Security will also provide electronic surveillance. All of these measures will contribute to maintaining a safe and orderly learning environment.

We understand that the news today is unsettling and can spark unease. Parents and guardians are encouraged to have a conversation with your children about how they feel. As a family, you will need to make decisions that feel right to you. Know that our teachers, counselors, and administrators stand ready to support your children. If there are further updates appropriate to share in the coming days, I will reach back out.

I extend my deepest gratitude to FCPS leadership, law enforcement partners, staff, students, and our entire community for valuing the safe, caring, and supportive culture we have created at TJHSST. We will continue to be vigilant and protect the safety of all.

Sincerely,

Ann N. Bonitatibus, Ed.D.

TJHSST Principal



05/03/2024

Dear TJHSST Families:

I would like to thank everyone who has provided support to our school this week as we addressed the safety concerns following the discovery of graffiti earlier this week that threatened violence at the school Thursday.

Thank you to Fairfax County Police and our FCPS Office of Safety and Security for working diligently to investigate this matter and to keep our school safe. Thank you to our teachers and staff for their professionalism and dedication to our students. Students who came to school were engaged in learning even during this stressful situation.

There is still an active investigation into this matter. While that may be unsettling, law enforcement and security officials do not believe that there is an ongoing threat. We will continue with normal operations on Monday.

We care deeply about our students and we are taking every precaution to keep them safe. We have tremendous support from local law enforcement and our safety and security staff.

Thank you also to our families who always demonstrate a partnership with us at the school. Please remind your child to speak with a trusted adult any time they have a concern about safety at school. The FCPS Office of Safety and Security has an anonymous [safety tip line](#) that you can access online, by text, or by phone.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

Dr. Ann N. Bonitatibus

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