

# Giddings Independent School District

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Dear Giddings ISD Parents and Staff,

Giddings ISD regards providing a safe environment for our students as our number one priority. We work hard to ensure safety in our district including investigating and taking threats seriously.

I want to make you aware of a situation that occurred at Giddings Middle School this afternoon. After school ended today, it was reported that a student had threatened to commit an act of violence at the school. The administration and staff at Giddings Middle School quickly enacted our emergency response plan and we contacted the Giddings Police Department.

Giddings ISD appreciates the prompt reaction from the Giddings Police Department. After completing an investigation, the police department determined that the threat was not credible. We appreciate our partnership with the Giddings Police Department. They will have additional officers present on our campuses tomorrow.

I assure you that we will take a strong stance against students and others who threaten the safety of our students and staff. Our district has policies in place to deal with incidences of violence and threats of violence that take place on our campuses and within the community. These policies are aligned with the requirements established by the Texas Education Code and the Penal Code. They are outlined within our Student Code of Conduct and School Board Policy.

We appreciate your continued support and ask you to PLEASE talk to your students about the seriousness of school safety. Students are on the front lines of these rumors and threats. We ask you to please insist that your child reports any threat or rumors of a threat to our staff immediately. Together, we can continue to make OUR schools a safe place.

Sincerely,



Lee Shane Holman, Interim Superintendent