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Good afternoon Wildcats,

Yesterday afternoon two different rumors of two different students threatening to harm others were reported to Rains Junior High Administration after students had been released from school. Principals immediately began the procedure of investigating the situation. The parents of the students in question were notified and appropriate steps were taken by the administrators to ensure the safety of everyone. Because it was the end of the school day, the Behavior Threat Assessment Team continued to investigate the comments this morning to ensure that their findings were complete and all necessary steps were taken to ensure that everyone on campus is safe.

I would like to personally thank those parents that reached out to us to inform us of what they had been told by their children. It is because of communication like that we are able to quickly address situations such as these. Sometimes students say things that have consequences that they do not realize carry great weight in today's world.

I know that we live in a scary time, but I do want to once again assure everyone that safety is the top priority when it comes to our students and staff. Not only do we have specific procedures in place, we also have our own Rains ISD police department and a working relationship with many local law enforcement agencies. We are also blessed to have the Game Warden and DPS officers housed in the district.

We know that our communication is not always as detailed as you would like, but in moments like this factual information is crucial. We encourage you to continue to reach out when situations like this arise but to always remain patient as we will always prioritize the safety of our students and staff.

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