## **East Grand Forks Public Schools**

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EGF ISD 595 Families and Staff Members,

On Wednesday, many school districts in Minnesota were <u>affected by false reports</u> of an active shooter on their campuses. From what we understand, schools received internet-based phone calls with these threats, which turn out to be unsubstantiated. It appears to be part of a hoax known as "swatting."

While the East Grand Forks School District did not experience this issue directly, we know that many of our families and staff members may be understandably concerned about school safety. Please know that our top priority is the safety and wellbeing of our students and staff. We take any and all reports of potential threats seriously, and we are making every effort to maintain an environment where students and staff feel safe.

We would like to continue to encourage our students and school community to report anything that could constitute a threat to school safety. As always, we work closely with local law enforcement to assist in these situations.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your attention to this important update.

Sincerely,

Mike Kolness

EGF Superintendent of Schools