



SANTA RITA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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Dear Santa Rita Elementary Families,

We would like to address a statement that a student made on Monday.

During class, a fifth-grade student made a very inappropriate statement to another student that they had a gun in their backpack. The student who was told this information shared this with the teacher. The administration and the LHISD Police Department took immediate action and implemented our threat assessment protocol.

After a three-hour investigation, it was determined that the student did not have a gun in his possession or home access to a gun. At no time did this student threaten to harm anyone. The police department determined that there was no threat as the student did not have a weapon, did not have access to a weapon, nor intended on bringing a weapon to school, and did not threaten any students or staff members. The student was turned over to the administration to work with the child's parents and determine the consequences based on the LHISD Student Code of Conduct.

If a credible threat is ever made or if a weapon is found on campus we would implement the appropriate security measures and provide immediate communication to our families. We apologize that the lack of communication in this incident led to misinformation and created concern for the SRE community.

We would like to commend the students that reported the comment to their teacher. Reporting any concerns to staff is critical in keeping our schools safe.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Principal Luedtke at kluedtke@libertyhill.txed.net or 512-379-3360.

Sincerely,

Kendell Luedtke

Kendell Luedtke, Principal

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Steven Snell, Superintendent