

October 29, 2018

Dear EGRPS Families,

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we collaborated with EGR Public Safety and Grand Rapids Police Department to investigate the bomb threat made to EGR High School. The high school was searched through a coordinated effort by the Michigan State Police Canine Unit; GRPD Canine Unit; Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) and Spectrum Health's bomb sniffing dogs.

Law enforcement has determined that our high school building is safe and secure. All of today's after school and evening activities will resume as scheduled. In addition, students can safely return to the high school for school tomorrow morning, Tuesday, October 30, 2018.

Given the very specific nature of the threat it was not necessary to evacuate any other buildings in the district; however, EGR Public Safety monitored and patrolled the other school buildings in the district as an additional precaution and communication measure. At this time, we are unable to share the nature of the threat, its credibility, or any additional information regarding the threat as it is still under investigation by the FBI, ATF, and East Grand Rapids Public Safety.

As always we want to ensure the social emotional well-being of our students. Please contact one of our guidance counselors if the safety measures put in place today caused questions or concerns.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we worked to ensure the safety and security of all our staff and students. We would like to thank the various law enforcement teams for the collective efforts in promptly and thoroughly attending to the threat. The steps taken were done to ensure the safety of all our students and staff.

Sincerely,



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Superintendent