Nowlin Elementary School



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for

Greetings Nowlin Community,

Life

In our continuing efforts to provide you with accurate information, I want to share this brief message regarding an issue that occured at our school today.

This morning around 10:00 a.m. we received a phone call from a parent informing us that the other parent of their children was coming to the school to pick up the children and was also threatening to "shoot up" the school.

Upon hearing the information law enforcement was called and the school was placed on a soft lockdown. A soft lockdown allows us to continue our school day without creating a panic but no one is allowed in or out of the building and movement within the building is limited.

Police spoke with the parent who called the school and that parent clarified that the other parent was <u>not</u> coming to the school. The parent said that they were worried that the other parent "may' come to the school. Police did a wellness check at the other parents home. Fortunately, at no time were students or staff in any danger. Once we were given the "all clear" by police we canceled the soft lockdown and returned to our regular day. The entire incident lasted just over 30 minutes.

I want to express my sincere thanks to our District Safety staff, the School Resource Officers, and the Dearborn Police. Their quick response to the situation maintained the safety of our school, provided a fast resolution, and allowed us to remain focused on teaching and learning. I also want to thank the incredible staff here at Nowlin for their calm and professional manner in handling the situation. Their actions allowed us to continue our school day without creating an emotionally upsetting situation for our students.

All of us here at Nowlin are dedicated to the safety and well being of our students. We know that by keeping an open line of communication with our parents and always working together we will continue to keep our school a safe place for everyone.

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