



SULPHUR SPRINGS

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Wildcat Families,

This morning, Sulphur Springs High School Administration received a report that a student was in possession of a prohibited item. During the scope of that investigation, a firearm was discovered. Campus administration immediately confiscated the weapon, secured the campus, and notified law enforcement. A 17-year old, male student was arrested by SSISD Police Department and was transported to the Hopkins County jail without further incident.

As always, our top priority is the safety of our students and staff. SSISD has zero tolerance for prohibited weapons of any kind on our campuses and any violation of this policy will be met with severe consequences in accordance with school policies and state law. We would like to commend SSHS Administration and SSISD Police Department for their swift response to this incident.

While this remains an ongoing and active investigation, it appears this was an isolated incident, and no other students are involved. We urge parents to talk with your child about gun safety and emphasize that it is against the law to bring a weapon of any type to school. Additionally, we ask that you remind your child to always report anything that seems suspicious.

We understand that incidents such as this can be unsettling and we want to assure you that we are taking all necessary steps to address this situation and prevent similar incidents in the future. The safety and security of our school community remain our highest priority and we appreciate your cooperation and support as we work together to ensure a safe learning environment for all.

Sincerely,

Deana Steeber, Ed.D.
Superintendent
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