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Subject: Safety Update: Incident Response and Ongoing Safety Measures

Good Afternoon,

I would like to inform you about an incident that occurred earlier today at the Ewing High School and reassure you that it was swiftly and effectively handled. I want to emphasize that all students and staff members are safe.

Today, a staff member observed a student exhibiting signs that suggested they might be under the influence of a substance. Following established procedures, the staff member reported the incident to the administration, who, with a security officer, conducted a thorough investigation. During a routine search of the student's belongings, a firearm was discovered and confiscated. The Ewing Police Department was immediately notified, and they took the student into custody. At no point was there a threat of violence.

I commend our staff and local law enforcement for their quick and professional response. The incident is now under active police investigation.

Ensuring the safety and security of our students and staff is paramount. We are dedicated to enhancing safety measures throughout the district, including the recent hiring of additional security officers and the exploration of weapon detection systems for school entrances. Despite the financial investment required, we view these measures as essential for maintaining a safe environment for all. Today's incident underscores the effectiveness of our ongoing efforts to develop a comprehensive security plan.

Thank you for your continued support and understanding. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Best regards,

Dr. Gentile

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