



North East Independent School District

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Brian G. Gottardy, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools

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Dear NEISD Community:

As we continue to be vigilant in our safety and security procedures across our district, we know there will unfortunately be individuals who will try to cause fear and intimidation.

The past week has certainly been difficult for many of us, as the Madison community had to deal with threats of violence and weapons on campus. The North East Police Department, FBI and Madison administration worked diligently to investigate those cases and two 17-year-olds were arrested.

Last week, we told you about an anonymous threat against an unnamed San Antonio elementary school. In an effort to continue to be transparent, I want to share with you a new threat which San Antonio Police and the FBI believe to have been sent by the same person.

This afternoon, another email was sent to the Northside ISD that threatened violence against Madison High School, making reference to a mass shooting at an unspecified time.

I have spoken with San Antonio Police Chief William McManus who continues to work with the FBI to track down this individual. He assures me this threat, like the one last week, is not credible. At this point, Chief McManus has told me no other information can be shared. Regardless, I felt you should have as much information about the investigation as I do.

The North East Police Department along with other local law enforcement agencies will continue to have an increased presence at Madison High School. In addition, security procedures such as the use of clear or mesh backpacks only will remain in effect for Madison students.

We must continue to work together as a community to ensure the safety of our students and staff. We will update you with more information as we receive it. Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Brian Gottardy".

Brian Gottardy, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools