

EAST GREENWICH TOWNSHIP SCHOOL DISTRICT

Andrea Evans, Superintendent

Gregory Wilson, Business Administrator

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Dear East Greenwich Township School Community,

This letter serves as a follow-up to my correspondence from earlier this morning. I am writing to provide you with important updates regarding the investigation into yesterday's reported incident.

The East Greenwich Township Police Department's investigation concluded there was no credible threat to students or staff. The report of a weapon is unsubstantiated. This means the student did not have a gun or a weapon. The student also did not have a replica of a gun or weapon.

The district is now investigating this matter as a disciplinary issue. While we understand the community's desire for detailed information, please know that student disciplinary matters are confidential under state and federal law, and we cannot share information about specific students.

We are grateful for the outpouring of support from our community. The safety of our students and staff remains our highest priority, and we are committed to transparency within the boundaries of student privacy protections.

Below please find some additional information.

Frequently Asked Questions

When was the incident reported to the school district?

The incident was reported after school hours when no students were on campus for school or afterschool activities.

What happened once the incident was reported?

The East Greenwich Township Police Department immediately initiated an investigation upon receiving notification.

What were the results of the police investigation?

The police investigation concluded there was no credible threat to students or staff. The report of a weapon is unsubstantiated; the student did not have a gun, weapon, or replica of either.

What is the status of the district's investigation?

The district deferred to law enforcement while the police investigation was active. Now that the police investigation has concluded with no weapon involved, the district is conducting its own investigation as a disciplinary matter.

What does a district investigation entail?

A district investigation includes interviewing involved students and potential witnesses (both staff and students), as well as gathering any other relevant information. The purpose is to determine what occurred, why it occurred, and how similar situations can be prevented in the future.



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What information will be available regarding the district investigation results?

To protect the confidentiality of all students, disciplinary investigation outcomes are only shared with the parents and guardians of those students directly involved. More information about the district's Code of Conduct can be found on pages 21-23 of the Parent Handbook. Click here to view the Parent Handbook.

What happens if a student brings a firearm to school?

In this case, the police investigation found the report to be unsubstantiated. However, if a student were to bring a firearm to school, the response would be guided by district policy 5611: Removal of Students for Firearm Offenses. Click here to view the policy.

Why was the initial information shared limited?

Given the serious nature of the report, we prioritized sharing accurate, confirmed information as quickly as possible. While the verified information was limited as of 6:00 a.m., we wanted to ensure parents received communication at least two hours before the start of the school day.

Is the school sharing information with students about the incident?

School staff is only speaking with students identified as having direct knowledge of the incident. Given that there was no weapon or threat made, we defer to parents to determine what information they wish to share with their children.

Additional Resources

For families interested in discussing gun safety with their children, Project Childsafe offers firearm safety education resources. Their website, found here, provides several educational videos, including a 2-minute video called "Not Cool, Kyle," which teaches students what to do if they become aware that another student has access to a gun.

If your student needs to speak with the Samuel Mickle School counselor, please complete the <u>Samuel Mickle School Counselor Referral</u>.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we work through this process. If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the district office.

Sincerely,

Andrea Evans