

Incident at school today - please read

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Dear Milestone families and students,

We are committed to the safety of our school community. You trust us every day to keep students safe while at school, and we take that responsibility seriously.

This afternoon a student reported to a staff member that they discovered a handgun in a different staff member's personal bag. The staff member who received the report immediately secured the bag in a locked office, and it was later directly removed to a locked car and taken off campus. The staff member that received the report did not personally see a handgun.

This is the most serious issue and we are treating it with every bit of caution.

The staff member who the bag belongs to will not report to school tomorrow, or until further notice. Our Board of Directors will convene an emergency session tomorrow to consult with our lawyer and prepare a thorough investigation. At every stage, we will share with you all the information that we are able to share, as determined by our lawyer. Transparency and safety (physical, and also social and emotional) will continue to be our priorities going forward.

We will host a special School Meeting tomorrow morning to dialogue with students about their experiences, thoughts, and feelings. Staff will be available throughout the day to support students and listen to their concerns. We are also here to understand your concerns — please reach out to us here or at our office phone line to talk.

Sincerely,

The Educators' Co-op at Milestone