

DeGrazia Elementary

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To DeGrazia Families,

This afternoon we received information that a student allegedly stated they were going to *bring a gun and shoot up the school*. The school administrative team immediately contacted the Pima County Sheriff's Department who thoroughly investigated the situation and determined that there is **no threat against our school**. Their investigation however did result in an arrest of a student.

I want to stress the importance of talking to your child(ren) about the seriousness of making statements related to a threatening/dangerous nature at any time. Law Enforcement agencies, our school, and the Marana Unified School District take safety concerns and threats very seriously. Threats against a school, even when made in a joking manner, can result in serious consequences aligned with our District discipline matrix and Arizona Criminal Law.

I also want to thank the vigilant student who brought this information forward and assisted with this investigation to keep our students and school safe. Please continue to encourage your children to immediately report any perceived threats they may see or hear about. I also want to thank the Pima County Sheriff's Department for their quick response and support.

Please know the safety of our students and staff is always our first priority and it is through students, parents, staff, and community reports that we are able to thoroughly investigate any safety issue affecting our school.

Our school day will operate on normal schedule Wednesday, and we look forward to welcoming our students in the morning.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our outstanding school.

Sincerely,

Michael Bauschka (Mr. B.)
Principal

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“The biggest adventure you can ever take is to live the life of your dreams.” -Oprah Winfrey