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Scott Kennedy Principal

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Dear Tutt Families,

In an effort to keep you informed, I want to make you aware of an incident that occurred at the end of today's pep rally before dismissal. A student yelled out the word "gun," which was overheard by other students and caused several students to run in distress. The Richmond County Sheriff's Office and Richmond County School System (RCSS) Police immediately responded. While the incident is still under investigation, no weapon or evidence of a weapon on a student has been found.

Dismissal was delayed by about 15 minutes while we ensured all students were safe and accounted for, and we appreciate your patience and understanding. Students were dismissed normally, and our campus is safe. This incident is being addressed in accordance with our Code of Student Conduct and Discipline.

It is incredibly important for parents and guardians to have ongoing conversations with their children this weekend about the seriousness of making threats, even in jest, and the potential consequences such actions can bring. Please also monitor your child(ren)'s social media activity and remind them to consider the impact of their words and actions both on and off campus. Any concerning activity should be reported immediately to the school or to our anonymous Safety Tip Line on (706) 828-1077.

As always, thank you for your support of John M. Tutt Middle School and the Richmond County School System.

Sincerely,

Scott Kennedy

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