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Dear WCS Community,

I wanted to provide some follow up from last night's incident during the Warren Mott/Cousino football game.

During last night's game, a Cousino student made a series of inappropriate comments to a Warren Mott administrator. He was asked to leave the game, and refused. In keeping with our security protocols, our administrators referred the matter to the Warren Police, who had a strong presence at the game. When the student refused the directive to leave the premises from law enforcement, he was placed under arrest, handcuffed, and escorted from the stadium. In these instances, we do ask the police to charge individuals, and follow our student Code of Conduct.

When the 911 call came in that caused the evacuation and the game to be suspended, the police did not believe these events were connected, but wanted to further investigate. As has been our policy for many years, we refrain from reporting matters which are still under investigation so as to not report misinformation to our community. However, their investigation indicates the 911 call came from a student at the game, and the description of the individual who allegedly posed a threat does match the student who was placed under arrest.

The police have informed us there is no evidence the student who was arrested was in possession of a firearm, nor were any firearms discovered in our stadium last night. Our administrators and the police also report they are not aware of any fighting or physical altercations at last night's game.

There has been considerable commentary via social media indicating people witnessed events or saw dangerous objects. We pass this information along to law enforcement as we see it posted. However, in the event you were witness to something beyond what I have reported, I would ask you to come forward and share that information directly to the Warren Police Department. As I wrote last night, we fully cooperate, sharing our video footage, providing space, and reporting everything we are aware of.

I remain committed to the safety of our students and continue to appreciate the opportunity to support our community.

Sincerely,

John C. Bernia, Jr.
Superintendent of Schools



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