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Braves Families:

We are grateful for the widespread support and understanding as we continue to work through the difficulties caused by the irresponsible use of social media. Last evening, as an image was being circulated throughout our community, we met with Public Safety to go through options and determine the most appropriate course of action. At that time, there was no way for us to be certain that the "GHS" included in the image was not referring to our Gladstone High School. In keeping with our safety protocols, the decision was made to close our schools for today.

Since that time, we are very relieved to be able to report that we have now been able to determine with certainty that the "GHS" in the image had been circulating throughout Utah communities days before, and resulted in the temporary closure of Granger High School in Utah. This clearly underscores the impact and reach of social media, and serves as an example of how important it is for all of us to help students make good decisions with social media.

With the heightened level of anxiety and concern caused by this ordeal, Public Safety has agreed to provide a visible presence in and around our school buildings next week. We continue to be very grateful for the close working relationship that we have with our local law enforcement and certainly appreciate their guidance and service.

We know that threats of violence, especially in schools, can be confusing and frightening to children. Through our partnership with the DSISD we will have counselors, social workers, and other professionals available to meet with any students who are in need or are struggling in any way. Please contact your building principal if you would like to set this up ahead of time.

Once again, we appreciate our school community and are thankful for all of the support that has been shown during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Jay Kulbertis

Dr. Jay Kulbertis, Superintendent