

# SCHOOL DISTRICT OF WHITEFISH BAY

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June 7, 2017

Dear School District of Whitefish Bay School Community,

On June 5, 2017 an event occurred at the high school involving some of our high school students engaging in inappropriate behavior (i.e., violating school weapons policies/threatening behavior) after school on our campus. The individuals involved have been arrested and the weapon has been recovered. Based on the police investigation we believe this is an isolated incident. Due to this ongoing investigation involving minors and the confidentiality students afford, we cannot disclose any other information.

As a District we remain confident in our level of safety for our students, staff and school community at the high school as well as in all of our other buildings. The District is committed to ensuring that all school and District events will continue to occur as scheduled, notably our 8th grade promotion, end of year celebrations/ceremonies, after school and evening school socials, as well as our high school graduation.

Safety remains a priority in the School District of Whitefish Bay. We continue to review and refine our safety practices. Our strength as a school community is anchored in our common desire to nurture a learning environment of safety, well-being, creativity, imagination and overall positive engagement. This cannot be achieved unless we feel safe and work to ensure that happens. If your child/student has questions or would like to speak to someone about this event or related matters, please do not hesitate to contact your child's principal or school counselor, and we can arrange for your child or family to meet with a counselor.

As a school community we collectively share the responsibility to ensure all students, staff and community members are safe and feel safe. Please remember and remind your student(s) that anyone who has information about individuals or events that might threaten or compromise the safety or well-being of our school community should contact a school administrator or the Whitefish Bay Police immediately.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "John W. Thomsen".

Dr. John W. Thomsen  
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