

January 9, 2019

Dear West Seattle High School Families:

I want to share information regarding an anonymous phone message received by one of our students this morning. I am very proud of how our students and families responded in order to ensure that our school community remains safe.

This morning, one of our students received a vague, but disturbing phone message stating that she would be attacked today during second lunch. She reported this information to administration, and we notified the District's Safety and Security Office, the Seattle Police Department (SPD) and the student's family. SPD has responded to investigate.

The District takes all potential threats seriously, however, most threats are not found to be credible. In this case, the **District and SPD is investigating the situation and has determined that the threat does not appear to be credible.**

Although this phone message does not appear to be a credible threat, we will continue to have extra SPD and District Security on campus. These actions were in abundance of caution and to ensure that our students feel safe and secure.

Please be assured that the safety of our students and staff is our number one priority at West Seattle High School. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at [brvance@seattleschools.org](mailto:brvance@seattleschools.org) or 252-8800.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Brian Vance', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Brian Vance  
Principal