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Dear Sugar Land Middle School Parents and Guardians,

The safety of our students and staff is our top priority, and we will always take prompt actions when it comes to reports of student safety, especially in light of recent events. With that in mind, I am writing to make you aware of a social media post that was reported to SLMS administrators this afternoon.

The social media post was shared on Snapchat and depicted one of our students displaying a gun. When brought to our attention, we immediately notified the FBISD Police Department, which launched an investigation into the matter. While the video did not involve a threat to our school, or occur at school, we immediately identified and removed the student from class without incident. School administrators and officers questioned and searched the student's belongings, and no credible threat was found. I can assure you that appropriate disciplinary action is being taken.

With the recent events in our community, I know that rumors and threats shared on social media can certainly cause an increase in anxiety to parents and students. I am asking that you continue to support us in our efforts to ensure safety and report any situation that you or your child find threatening or dangerous to school authorities. Also, please speak to your children and remind them not to post or repost threatening images on social media. We take all reports like these very seriously and our students must know that very serious consequences may result.

As always, I appreciate your continued support as we work to maintain a safe and positive learning environment for all our students and staff.

Sincerely,
Keith Fickel
Principal