

TEXAS CITY

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dr. Melissa Duarte
TCISD Superintendent

April 22, 2021

Dear TCHS Families,

A Texas City High School 15-year-old was arrested today and will be charged with a felony terroristic threat after threatening the safety of students and staff at the school. This is not related to the investigation that took place on campus on April 21, 2021. Please know that TCISD takes all threats seriously and that we anticipate the District Attorney to also accept charges when someone threatens harm to others in our schools.

I want to refer you to the Mental Health America (MHA) website so that you can get a guide on leading a discussion with your kids about school safety. Visit www.mentalhealthamerica.net/conditions/talking-kids-about-school-safety. The site also gives examples of behaviors that can be signs that a child needs professional help.

Texas City High School and Texas City ISD will not tolerate threats of harm to others. Please talk to your children and impress upon them the seriousness of threats in today's society. Remind them to immediately report any concerns they have to any adult on campus or to use the free, anonymous Campus P3 app.

The safety of our students and staff is our number one priority and we will continue to be vigilant. We need your help to make sure that students know that it is not snitching when student safety could be compromised. It takes us all working together for us to have a safe, learning environment.

If you think your child could be a danger to themselves or others, please contact a school counselor, your child's physician, or call MHA toll free at 1-800-969-6642.

Sincerely,



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