



STATE OF HAWAII
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION – LEEWARD DISTRICT
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT
601 KAMOKILA BOULEVARD, ROOM 588
KAPOLEI, HAWAII 96707

February 16, 2018

Dear families of the Campbell-Kapolei Complex Area,

The safety and security of our schools cannot be understated. When we received word of a threat to Kapolei Middle Thursday night, Honolulu Police Department was immediately notified and a security plan for Friday was initiated.

While the threat was made to one of our schools, our entire complex was affected. I commend our school leaders for taking precautions and working with each other in sharing information to ensure safety measures across all complex schools. Our teachers also played a pivotal role in ensuring learning took place despite the distraction of events.

All threats to our schools or students are taken very seriously and are investigated thoroughly. Terroristic threats are considered Class A student conduct offenses. Penalties can range from detention to dismissal with the possibility of arrest and serious criminal charges. We wanted you to have the facts so you can discuss them with your child and emphasize the seriousness of this issue.

School and student safety is a responsibility for all involved — administrators, staff, teachers, students, families, law enforcement and the broader community. As always, should your child need someone to talk to about recent events that may cause emotional stress, please consult with a school counselor.

Thank you for your support of our schools. Should you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to call your school principal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Heidi Armstrong".

Heidi Armstrong
Complex Area Superintendent
Campbell-Kapolei Complex Area