

JAMES L. COBLE MIDDLE SCHOOL

MANSFIELD ISD

October 10, 2008

Dear Parent/Guardian:

I am sending this letter in order to provide you with accurate information and discourage rumors of an alleged incident that occurred on the Coble campus involving one of our students.

The Arlington Police Department is investigating the sexual assault of one of our students on campus. The alleged incident was reported to the Arlington Police Department on September 26. The suspect is an adult male who was visiting the campus.

The suspect is not an employee of MISD or a student in the district. The Arlington Police Department is actively investigating the circumstances surrounding the alleged incident. Mansfield ISD employees and the MISD Police are cooperating fully with the Arlington Police Department.

To account for the delay in releasing this information, I can tell you that due to laws protecting privacy rights and to preserve the integrity of the investigation for the Arlington Police Department, I have been limited in the information that I can disclose. However, I want to reassure the entire Coble community that the safety of our students and staff remains one of our top priorities.

Please feel free to contact my office if you have questions or concerns. If you or your student has any information about this incident, or any other safety concern on our campus, please direct them to contact me or another campus administrator. I assure you that we are committed to maintaining a safe school environment that is conducive to teaching and learning.

Sincerely,

Derrell Douglas
Principal



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