

Student investigation led to lock-down

(KAIR)--New information comes to light regarding Friday's lock-down at the Atchison County Community Schools

In a Facebook post Monday morning, the Effingham based USD 377 clarified that the lock-down came after the district Friday was “informed by local law enforcement of an anonymous report concerning students who attend” the schools.

The statement says the report “did not contain any threats or plans of violence and there was no imminent danger to students or staff. To ensure the safety of all students, steps were taken, including the temporary lockdown, to allow the investigation to take place. The investigation did not find any threat to school safety or imminent danger to students at Atchison County Community Schools.”

Atchison County Sheriff Jack Laurie Monday told MSC News the anonymous report received by law enforcement focused on “student(s) that have possibly discussed topics that the reporting person felt were concerning to the safety of the school and others.”

Laurie said no one was taken into custody because there was nothing that led investigators “to believe a crime had been committed or that there was one going to be committed.”

He clarifies that despite Facebook posts to the contrary, no one was taken to juvenile intake, and the investigation is considered closed.

The lock-down of all buildings was implemented late Friday morning, and lasted for around 90-minutes.

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