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## Lebanon High School in Brief Lockdown; Now Lifted

This morning, staff at Lebanon High School were told that there may be a student with a weapon on campus. In situations like these, we err on the side of safety and caution, so administration put the school into lockdown. Students and staff responded quickly and correctly, and local law enforcement was rapidly on scene. As a further precaution, nearby schools Cascades and Green Acres were put into a lockout condition for security.

It was determined quickly that the report was incorrect and that a student was overheard and misunderstood by a peer. Rumors circulated, and a LHS parent, who saw a concerning text message, did the right thing by speaking up.

Around 9:00 AM, police determined there was no threat present and that the campus was safe; therefore, the lockdown was lifted. As is always the case following these incidents, we are analyzing actions and systems to ensure that, should this happen again, we continue to respond efficiently to keep students and staff safe.

Thank you for the part you play in supporting safety in our community.

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Lebanon Community School District educates more than 4,000 students from preschool through 12<sup>th</sup> grade. Eighty percent of its funding goes to the classroom to keep class sizes smaller for personalized instruction. The school district is working to lead the state in providing preschool education, and online access to learning. Its technical programs and higher education partnerships mean students have opportunities for careers or college as soon as they graduate. Learn more about Lebanon Community Schools at <a href="https://www.lebanon.k12.or.us">www.lebanon.k12.or.us</a>.