



SALT CREEK SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 48

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

I am writing to inform you of an incident that occurred at Albright Middle School. Earlier today, we learned that an 8th-grade student was in possession of a box cutter on the school bus and school grounds. It was reported the student brought the box cutter to school yesterday (September 21, 2023) and today. We have reason to believe that the student showed the box cutter to at least one other student and made threatening remarks. The weapon has been confiscated, and the Villa Park Police are investigating what occurred. Thankfully, no one was injured, and the incident was isolated. I can assure you that Albright staff members responded appropriately and immediately to address the situation in a compassionate manner.

While an incident of this nature can be unsettling, please be assured that Salt Creek School District 48 prides itself on maintaining a safe and secure environment for all students. In very rare situations, we must address issues of this nature to ensure student safety. We take this responsibility very seriously, and D48 staff are trained to respond in a safe, supportive, and calm manner.

If you have any questions or concerns, feel free to contact me directly. Please take this opportunity to remind your child(ren) that weapons are never allowed on school grounds and that if they 'see something', they should 'say something' by telling a trusted staff member or you, their parent, immediately.

Thank you for your support, care, and trust in Albright Middle School.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gerrie Aulisa".

Gerrie Aulisa

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