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##  Don W. Teal, Chief of Police

Martin PD press release:

04/14/2023

The Martin Police Department responded to Westview High School at approximately 7:44 on 04/14/2023 in reference to information pertaining to a Westview student possibly threatening another student on a bus. This information did involve the possibility of a weapon being present. The suspected student was immediately detained by SRO Cody Stewart. Officers then implemented a search for weapons throughout the building, the bus and the suspect’s personal items. No weapon was located. An investigation was initiated by the Criminal Investigations Division and other members of the Martin Police Department.

At the conclusion of this investigation, it has been determined that a weapon was not involved in the incident and that it consisted of verbal threats only. As a result of this investigation, the accused student will be petitioned to Weakley County Juvenile Court on the charge of simple assault and The Weakley County School System will be handling potential administrative actions.

I would like to thank all Westview High School administration, faculty and staff members for their assistance and quick actions in this matter. I would also like to thank the community as a whole for their cooperation as well. The mission of the Martin Police Department and the members of the Weakley County School system is to provide a safe environment for our children to attend and learn. We will continue to respond and investigate any type of threats of violence anytime we receive information.

Asst. Chief of Police

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