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Good morning, Colleagues:

This morning Everett High School went into lockdown as a precautionary measure due to a nearby shooting and the ensuing police activity in the area. Police had a strong presence on campus for support; walkers were held in the gym and buses were routed to Everett Memorial Stadium until the lockdown was lifted. At no time were our students in danger. While police activity will likely continue in the neighborhood to the north of the high school, the police department gave the clearance to return students to classes after "clearing" the campus.

Once the lockdown was lifted, bus riders were returned to school, students returned to class and the school day began. Moments ago I spoke with Principal Lance Balla, who expressed his thanks for all of the quick responses by school, district, and city staff. He notes that kids are off to second period.

Neighboring schools whose buses were impacted by the lockdown notified families of possible delays in their students' pick-up time this morning. As the transportation process unfolds, we will continue to respond to parent and staff questions until the morning returns fully to normal.

I want to express my sincere thanks to all of the school staff, the transportation staff, the maintenance staff, and the communications staff who sprang into action in response to this emergency. I am grateful for the quick response and constant communication by our Everett Police Department SRO team. I am proud of how well our Everett High School students followed safety procedures this morning, and how quickly staff from other sites responded to support the Everett High team (and of schools in the busing pattern). I appreciate everyone's help pitching in this morning to handle this emergent situation.

If there is any further news to share, we'll get another message to you. Best regards,



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