

Below is the Connects Message that was telephoned the evening of February 26, 2015

The focus at Wiregrass Ranch High School has always been, and continues to be, safety and academics. We are extremely proud of the hard work and responsible decisions students make everyday at Wiregrass Ranch. In the past week, we have had a few incidents that resulted in suspensions, arrest and possible expulsion recommendations. This has led to rumors and misinformation being spread by students.

The latest incident is in regard to a rumor that resulted from an arrest made on campus. The students heard the rumor that there will be retaliation against the school using weapons. The Sheriff's office is investigating this alleged rumor, and they feel that it is being passed by word of mouth and fueled by speculation and misinformation. They are making contact with the student in question today and will have additional SRO presence here on campus tomorrow.

In the coming days we will remind all students that classes run for the full 50 minutes and the 6-minute passing period is their opportunity to transition to the next class, take bathroom breaks and use the vending machines.

For a few weeks, passes out of class will be given on a limited basis and usually related to emergency situations only. If your student has individual needs related to the use of the bathroom, please contact the nurse to set up a health plan. Please remember students are to be on campus no earlier than 7AM and no later than 2:30 PM unless they are under the direct supervision of a coach, teacher or club sponsor.

We want students to clearly understand there are serious consequences for violating safety rules and procedures. Serious infractions such as fighting or drug possession will result in immediate disciplinary action, including arrest and recommendation for expulsion.

Again, safety and academics are top priorities and we are very dedicated to providing a safe learning environment for all students and adults.

Thank you and have a nice evening.