

Lighthouse Academies®

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To: The Parents of the Scholars at Jacksonville Lighthouse Main Campus and CPA
From: Lenisha Broadway Roberts, Executive Director

This memo is to communicate details and provide transparency of the major events that have impacted our educational environment beginning Wednesday, April 4th.

Wednesday, we received a bomb threat via phone call at our Main Campus and immediately evacuated both the Main Campus and CPA buildings and notified police. This morning we received another threat to the Main Campus via phone. It appears that both calls were made by a child. Today we immediately contacted authorities and the schools were placed on a soft lockdown while the police investigated the matter. As of now, we are not aware if the child is a Lighthouse scholar but we are taking this very seriously and we will prosecute the offender to the fullest extent of the law.

Our goal is to provide a secure and safe environment for our scholars, staff and parents. However, we need your assistance as well. We are asking you to please speak with your child/children about the seriousness of making false reports or calls of this nature. If they are aware of the person(s) that has been initiating these calls we ask that they report it to school administration. We have and are losing valuable instructional time and causing undue stress and grief on all parties involved.

We will continue to respond appropriately to any threat made to the school and scholars here at Jacksonville Lighthouse. State testing is next week and we want to make sure we provide the safest environment possible for our families.

School Resource Officer, Ryan Cardona, and Sgt. Robert Slash will continue to provide support to our staff and scholars. We will also have a parent meeting, Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at 6pm at 2nd Baptist Church of Jacksonville to discuss safety in our schools.

As the situation changes, we will keep you up to date and if you have any additional questions, please do not hesitate to call me or your school principal.

We prepare our students for college through a rigorous arts-infused program.