

Auburn High School 5110 Auburn St. Rockford, IL 966-3300

March 1, 2023

Auburn High School families and staff,

A weapon was recovered today at Auburn High School. Fortunately, our students and staff are safe, and our school day will continue. We are working with Rockford Police on their investigation.

Administrators heard about a rumor of a weapon, took it seriously and acted immediately. The school was not in lockdown; the search and recovery happened very quickly. Rockford Police will remain on campus.

I know this information is alarming. That's why I want you to hear it directly from me.

There is nothing more important than the safety of our students and staff. Our students deserve to both *feel* safe at Auburn and *be physically* safe. Weapons have no place in our school, and this behavior is not aligned with our values or what our students or staff deserve.

If you see a threat or hear a rumor, please tell us. Report the information to a school administrator or Rockford Police. Just as it happened today, information launched an investigation and quick action.

If you have any questions, please contact me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Jenny Keffer, Principal Auburn High School