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Dear Parent/Guardian;

We would like to update you on the use of a Medical Lockdown that was issued this morning. The VHS Administration, in conjunction with the Verona Police Department and the Verona Rescue Squad, issued the Medical Lockdown due to a situation that required confidentiality and medical attention. The Medical Lockdown is one of the school security procedures used by the Verona School District. The purpose of a Medical Lockdown is to keep the halls clear for personnel to move around the building as needed. Teachers and students are told to remain in their classrooms until further notice. Classroom instruction continues during the Medical Lockdown. Each classroom has a telephone that can be used to contact the Main Office if a classroom concern arises during the Medical Lockdown. Administrators are on-hand to assist students and teachers during this time.

In more serious situations, a Security Lockdown would be called. Students and staff would move behind a locked door out of sight of anyone who may be in the halls. It is important to note that today a Medical Lockdown was issued, and at no time were students in imminent danger. These procedures have been reviewed with our students during class meetings, our teaching staff and at our most recent SCA meeting.

Today's situation was handled in a professional and timely manner. We would like to commend our teachers and especially our students for their patience and understanding during the Medical Lockdown. The cooperation of all allowed for a full day of instruction to take place with a minimal alteration of the bell schedule.

We take all matters with the utmost seriousness. While the details of this and other related security issues must remain confidential, we want you to know that decisions are made with regard to the safety and security of your children. Thank you for your continued cooperation and support of Verona High School.

Sincerely,

Glenn J. Cesa
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David Galbierczyk
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