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To Staff and our Twin Rivers Community,

As you have likely heard, today, Grant Union High School faced a tragic incident that shakes every school community to its core. At approximately 9:30 a.m. the school received reports of shots fired within the premises. Twin Rivers Police Department responded instantly and notified the Sacramento Police Department. Immediately, our school's security protocols were activated, and the school went into lockdown mode to ensure the safety of all students and staff.

I am saddened to confirm the involvement of two students from Grant Union High School in this tragic incident. This was not a random shooting or an incident of someone unlawfully entering the campus. One student was immediately taken to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries and, thanks to the rapid response of our law enforcement, the suspect was located and arrested quickly.

While there was no longer any immediate threat to students or staff, the campus remained on lockdown as per our security procedures to ensure law enforcement could conduct their investigation and process the scene.

The District office remained fully engaged, coordinating emergency communications and resources to support the school community. I received numerous calls today from local leaders who offered support and assistance, and their solidarity with our school community is greatly appreciated.

I want to extend my deepest gratitude to the swift and coordinated response from law enforcement, whose rapid deployment helped contain the situation.

Moreover, I am profoundly grateful for the effectiveness of our emergency protocols and the dedication of our staff. Their quick thinking and decisive actions helped ensure the safety of our students and minimized the potential for further harm. Today, we witnessed the strength of our community and the resilience of our school in the face of adversity.

As we navigate the days ahead, let us continue to support one another and remain vigilant in our commitment to ensuring the safety and well-being of all members of the Grant Union High School family.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Steve Martinez".

Dr. Steve Martinez
Superintendent