August 26, 2025

Dear Seneca Valley High School Students, Parents and Staff,

The purpose of this letter is to share with you that our school was in a temporary SECURE situation due to an incident in the community that required police support. We were in a school SECURE from 11:35am to 12:05pm. Students and staff were safe and instruction continued. After the SECURE was lifted, we returned to our normal routine, and proceeded to lunch.

The safety and security of our students, staff, parents and community are very important to me and something we take seriously at Seneca Valley High School. We have trained staff for such unfortunate situations and with this situation occurring on the first day of school, I am proud of how our students and staff responded.

Please review the updated safety and security protocols provided by MCPS and SVHS to our students linked <u>here</u>.

If you have any questions please let me or your students administrator know.

Thank you,

Ricardo Hernandez

Principal

Seneca Valley High School