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LOCKDOWN

Tallahassee- This morning Godby High School went into a lockdown for approximately twenty-two minutes after maintenance workers reported hearing shots fired near campus.

At approximately 10:45 A.M. Leon County School Board maintenance workers working at the Godby High School athletic fields across from the school's campus heard several shots being fired in the adjoining apartment complex. The maintenance workers notified the school via their school radio and called in the emergency over the phone. The school immediately went into lockdown as deputies from the Leon County Sheriff's Office and Tallahassee Police Officers converged on the scene.

"Communications Centers from both Agencies patched the radio traffic into the School Resource Deputies channel maximizing efficiency and coordination in the response" said Sgt. Chris Chase, LCSO Spokesman.

Tallahassee Police Officers quickly determined the shots had come from the backside of the Pinecrest West Apartments, 1380 Ocala Road.

"We have no reason to believe at this time the shots fired were directed at or towards the school or any students" Chase added.

Sheriff Larry Campbell said "law enforcement's response to this type of report is not debatable. We have an obligation to protect the students and with the report of this type of crisis, we will, as you saw today, react as we have trained and prepared to since the Columbine Shootings.

The Tallahassee Police Department is investigating the incident.



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