

Bomb threat called into Redwater school results in evacuation (TG)

Sweep of building leads to an "initially cleared" status

Redwater Elementary School has been given an "initially cleared" status after a sweep for any potential devices.

The elementary received a call this morning reporting a bomb in the building.

The bomb threat resulted in school administration evacuating kids and staff from the building to the nearby First Baptist Church.

"We had a threat called in to the elementary campus," said Dr. Kelly Burns, Redwater ISD superintendent. "We notified law enforcement and immediately evacuated the kids and staff."

The junior high and high school students sheltered in place.

Cars were lined up down FM 991 and U.S. Highway 82 as parents waited to pick up their children. Once they neared the front of the church they had to go in and sign out their child, get back in their car and pull around the church to pick them up. The effort was oversaw by Texas Department of Public Safety troopers and school and county personnel.

"Everyone did a great job. Everyone worked together and was up here to help in every way needed," Burns said. "The parents have been wonderful and waited patiently."

Law enforcement officials were combing the elementary school building Tuesday afternoon looking for anything suspicious.