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Governor Musgrove Praises Canton Students in Wake of Bomb Threat

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove today praised students at Nichols Middle School in Canton for their calm reaction and orderly evacuation to a bomb threat during a morning program. Mr. Reuben Myers, Superintendent of the Canton Separate School District, announced the threat prior to Musgrove’s scheduled remarks.

“These students responded to this threat in textbook fashion,” Musgrove said. “They followed every direction by their teachers, they were quiet and calm as they moved to the football field, and I’m proud of the way they handled this unfortunate situation. They were obviously well prepared, and I commend the staff and teachers of the school for their efforts to get the students ready for emergency situations.”

Musgrove was at the school for an announcement for Project CORD (*Canton Organizes to Reduce Drugs*), a substance abuse prevention program offered through the National Council on Alcohol and Drug Dependence of the Central Mississippi Area, Inc. The program is being funded through a grant from the Governor’s Mississippi Alliance for Prevention initiative.

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