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Pittsburgh Perry Student Acts to Keep School Safe

PITTSBURGH, November 7, 2012 – Today a Pittsburgh Perry student is to be commended for stepping forward to notify School Security regarding a student in possession of a firearm. The student was immediately apprehended and detained, and the weapon was removed safely from the school building. The school was placed on lockdown as School Police investigated the matter. District School Police are working with City Police to conduct a search of the school's grounds utilizing the City's K-9 Unit. Additional security measures will continue for the remainder of the week.

This afternoon parents and families of Pittsburgh Perry students were notified about the incident via the District's Alert Now Parent Notification System. Principal Nina Sacco additionally thanked the student who brought information forward regarding the firearm and stressed the important role students play in keeping their school safe.

The incident is still under investigation and there is no additional information available at this time.

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