Dear Clear Springs Community,

This is Principal Curt Carpenter with an urgent message. I'm sending this message via all parent and staff email addresses and phone numbers.

We have reliable information that some outside protest groups plan to rally at the District Service Center this afternoon in protest over an incident at the High School last week. As you know, we share a parking lot and entrance with the DSC.

The actions of these groups while on District property is unpredictable, so we need to take steps to protect our students and staff at Clear Springs.

Therefore, we will be dismissing students early at 10:30am. All buses will run their regular routes. Our buses usually leave the school lot at about 3:30pm, so you can plan on your child arriving home approximately 5 hours earlier than usual.

Parents who would like to pick up their children may do so anytime from now until 10:30am. We will serve a pizza lunch to students early today.

We are still working through how to accommodate families that participate in afternoon Explorers child care. We will send a follow-up message to those families as soon as possible.

I know receiving a message like this is probably very disconcerting. Please know that our students and staff are safe and that we remain focused on their safety and well-being. We will share with students that we will be dismissing early today due to a big event that is planned for next door at the District Service Center. We will not share anything that may upset them.

Curt Carpenter Clear Springs Principal