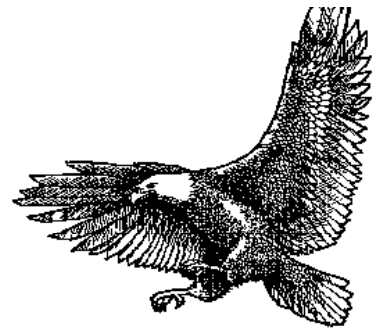


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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Recently parents have been finding discussions of a rape tag game on their children's Facebook pages. I am writing to give you some background information about the game and what has been done to this point.

On January 10<sup>th</sup> a 5<sup>th</sup> grade parent informed me that 5<sup>th</sup> grade students were playing a game called "rape tag". The parent described rape tag as similar to freeze tag except that a person had to be humped to be unfrozen.

All 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers were asked to speak with their classes and asked to watch for further occurrences of the game. Noon duty supervisors were also informed and asked to watch for further incidents.

After discussions with their classes, 5<sup>th</sup> grade teachers had reported that mainly students in two classrooms had played the game. They and noon duty supervisors have not reported any more incidents of the game.

Since the surge in facebook discussions, all staff at Washington has been notified of the game and will be watching for any incidents of the game.

If you have questions or concerns feel free to email me at [bsprung@newulm.k12.mn.us](mailto:bsprung@newulm.k12.mn.us), call me at 359-8490, or visit with me during parent/teacher conferences.

Yours in Education,

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