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Mansfield Police Chief Gary Hobbs has announced that on Thursday- March 3, 2016 officials with the Desoto Parish School System notified the Mansfield Police Department that a Mansfield High School student had posted a potential threat on InstraGram. The posting was directed towards the Mansfield High School, and included a picture of a weapon.

The Police Department initiated an investigation, and the following morning at approx. 7:15am the 16 year old student was taken into custody as he attempted to board the school bus in the 1100 block of Bernard Street. A subsequent search of the juvenile revealed that he was carrying a butcher knife with approx. 8" blade in his backpack. The juvenile was arrested and booked into the Ware Youth Center for Illegal Carrying of a Weapon, Terrorism, and Intimidation /Interference with School Operation.

DeSoto Parish School Superintendent Dr. Cade Brumley, commented "we are very thankful to have a relationship with our school community that led us to the threat and allowed us to respond accordingly. We are also pleased our collaboration with law enforcement resulted in a peaceful resolution without any of our students being in danger".

*Gary Hobbs*

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