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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am writing to inform you about a situation that took place this morning. A religious group was present on sidewalks around our campus before school and they were observed handing out religious materials to students. We want to inform you that this group has no affiliation with Niu Valley Middle School and is not sponsored or endorsed by the State of Hawaiʻi Department of Education (HIDOE).

The safety and security of our students and adults on campus are our top priorities. As a result, our school administration immediately addressed the situation by talking with these individuals and monitoring their behaviors. Individuals associated with the religious group were directed to remain on the public sidewalks.

Please feel free to contact me via phone at (808) 307-6800 or via email at jeffrey.shitaoka@k12.hi.us if you have any questions or concerns regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey Shitaoka
Principal