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Oregon House Republican Caucus Responds to Bend Shooting

SALEM, Ore. — Today, **House Republican Leader Lucetta Elmer (R-McMinnville)** and Central Oregon Representative, **Vikki Breese Iverson (R-Prineville)** responded to breaking reports involving an active shooter incident at Silver Rail Elementary in Bend, OR.

"Words can't express the heartbreak of hearing that the Bend community has experienced such unnecessary violence. I am grateful to the Bend Police Department and first responders who responded quickly to the scene.

My heart is with every student, parent, teacher, and family member affected by this tragedy. Every parent should be able to send their child to school with the confidence that they will be safe, and every child deserves to learn in an environment free from fear," said **Leader Elmer**.

"The senseless violence against our children today is heartbreaking. My commitment is to the families, students, and teachers as we learn details of today's horrific event. I'm grateful to every first responder who stepped in with urgency to protect our community. May the weight of God sit heavy with any soul who justifies this evil deed," said **Rep. Breese Iverson.**

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