

At Least 2 Shot at Portland Alternative School

At least two people were shot on Friday at a Portland, Oregon, high school, police said, and officers were searching for suspects who were believed to have left the area.

There was no immediate word on the condition of the victims at Rosemary Anderson High School in Portland. The Portland Oregonian newspaper reported that a 17-year-old was shot in the back and that a female student was struck in the chest.

The Portland Police Bureau said that Jefferson High School and Portland Community College were placed on lockdown following the shooting and that traffic was being diverted from the area.

Parents were directed to go to a staging area several blocks from the school.

Aly Wright, who works at the Coffeehouse Five coffeehouse near the school, said her customers heard several gunshots, followed by the quick arrival of police.

"This whole block is on lockdown," she said.

According to its website, Rosemary Anderson is an alternative high school in north Portland serving up to 190 "at-risk" students, many of whom are homeless or who had been expelled or dropped out of public high schools.

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