

HARVEST TIME

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District response to bomb threat

Authorities closed school this morning

By David G...
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The state police bomb threat targeted Memorial Middle School at 8 p.m. Wednesday, and the school closed this morning.

Rick Romero, superintendent of the Las Vegas City Schools, said the state police told him about the call. He said he understood that the voice sounded like it was that of a "young adult." Romero met with state and local police officials afterward.

Romero said he closed the school member to be stationed at the middle school through the night and do house-to-house searches.

Around 6 a.m. today, Romero said, he met with members of the Las Vegas Fire and Police Department to conduct a search of Memorial for suspicious items. They also searched the exterior of the building.

The school opened this morning, Romero said. For instance, the school was allowed to park in the school's lower parking lot.



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Students helping the hungry

By Don Pace
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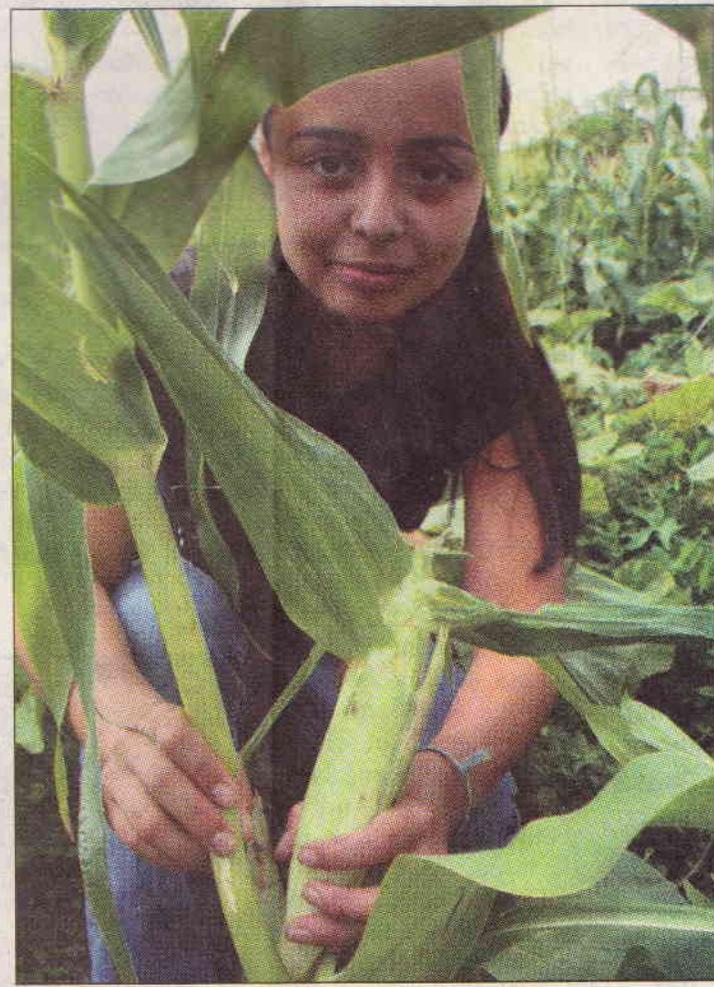
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Agricultural education teacher Gary Leger said, "I want my FFA kids at the high school to become more and more involved with the agricultural experiment station here at Memorial Mid-



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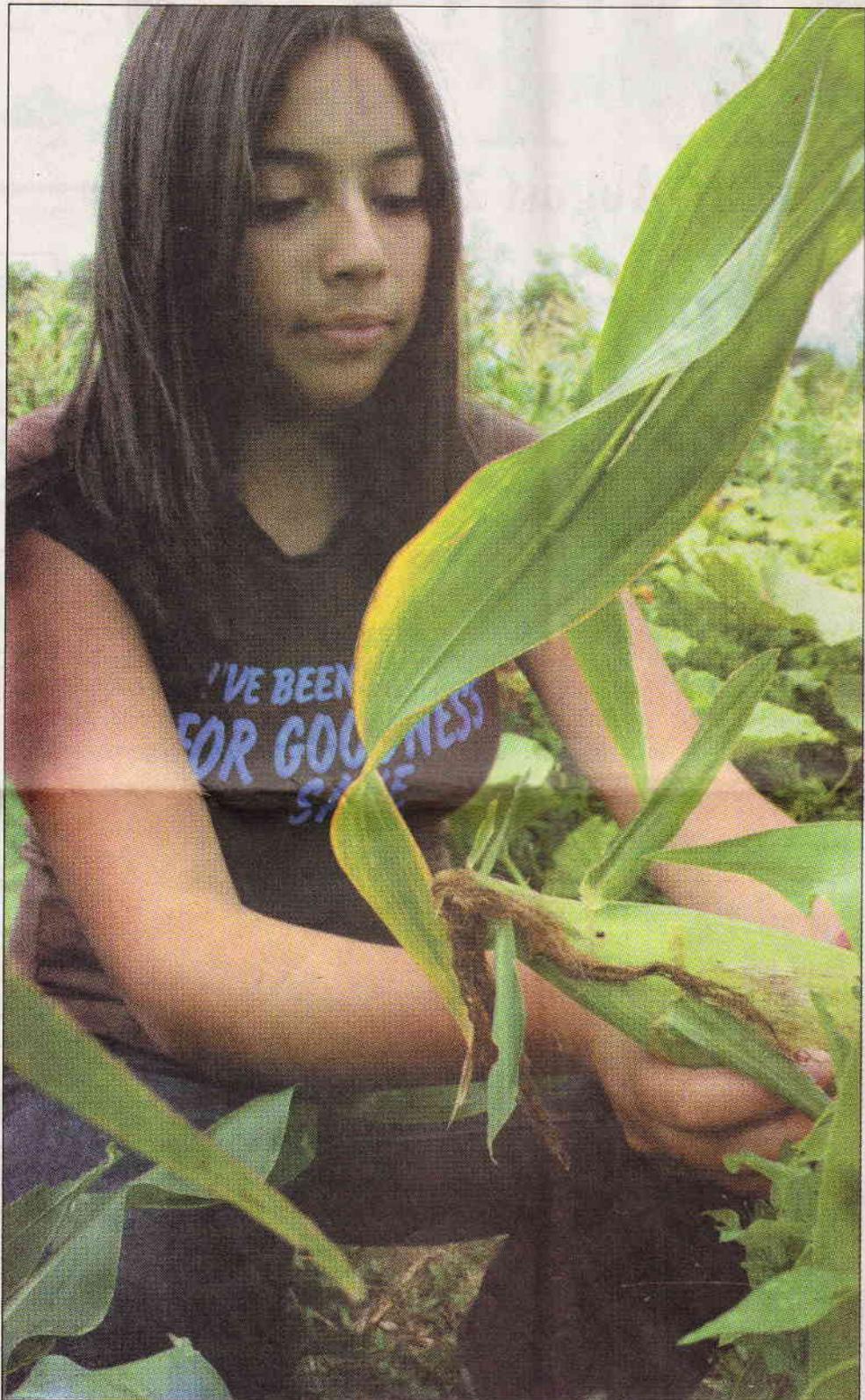
Leger said he's trying to keep students who get involved in the agricultural science center in their middle school years involved in the center when they move to high school. He said kids come after school, donate their time and get absolutely no credit for their work.

Adrienne Roybal, a junior at Robertson, said she is a novice when it comes to gardening, especially at this large of a scale.

"This is the first time I've come out in the field to pick vegetables," Roybal said. She said she wants to go into forestry or the agricultural field.

Using a plot in the school's garden, John Ryan Ulibarri planted a number of rows of corn as a science project exploring ways of controlling corn earworm using both expensive and cost effective methods of pest control.

"I love everything to do with farming," Ulibarri said. "My grandpa has farmed his whole life, so I grew up with this. I plan to become a farmer, I truly, truly like it."



Don Pace/Optic photo
Adrienne Roybal and other FFA students spend after-school hours harvesting corn and other produce that will be donated to local relief organizations. Students have already picked more than 1,300 pounds of vegetables that have gone to local families.

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