



WAUSAU SCHOOL DISTRICT  
Longfellow Administration Center

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Dr. Keith W. Hiltz, Superintendent of Schools

Dear Wausau School District, Parents/Guardians and Staff:

The Wausau School District has become aware of a troubling post that has been shared widely this week on the social media platform TikTok. The post refers to a threat to school safety “for every school in the USA, even elementary,” on Friday, December 17.

The post appears to be part of a national TikTok trend and did not originate in our school district. We have heard reports from other districts that the same post is circulating in their schools. While we do not believe the threat to be credible, we are closely monitoring the situation and taking it seriously.

Additionally, the district has been in contact with the Wausau Police Department regarding the post. We may have an increased police presence in our buildings on Friday as an added precaution.

This situation serves as a good example of why it is important to avoid sharing posts online that refer to school safety threats. Even if they are not credible threats, they can cause a great deal of stress and anxiety for our students, families, and staff. We ask our families to monitor their children’s social media activity and speak with them about proper behavior online.

If you or your child become aware of any potential threat posted to social media or anywhere else, please notify a school staff member, trusted adult, and/or law enforcement right away.

**The Wausau School District and Wausau Police Department take these threats very seriously. Anyone who makes a threat to school safety will face disciplinary and even legal action. That includes expulsion.**

As always, thank you for your partnership as we work to ensure a safe, secure, and positive learning environment for our students.

Thank you,  
Wausau School District Administration

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