



KINGSWAY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Re: School Safety Alert: School Threat on Snapchat Resolved

Dear Parents/Guardians,

I am writing to inform you about a situation that occurred in the early hours of this morning involving a threat to the safety of our school community. A 17-year-old female student posted a threat on Snapchat to "shoot up the school." She has since been identified and detained by the FBI, with the full cooperation of the East Greenwich and Woolwich Township Police Departments, as well as County officials. The threat has been neutralized, and law enforcement has assured us that our campus is secure.

Please rest assured that we take all threats very seriously and have been working closely with authorities throughout this process. Based on the information gathered, there is no credible ongoing threat to our schools. Therefore, **our schools will remain open** as usual, and we will continue to operate under normal schedules.

We understand that incidents like these can cause anxiety and concern. To ensure the continued safety of our students, staff, and faculty, we will maintain an increased police presence at our schools on Tuesday. This is in addition to the three full-time school resource officers already stationed on our campus daily.

We are committed to providing a safe and secure learning environment for all members of our school community. I also ask for your support in reminding your children to report any potential threats to school personnel or law enforcement immediately and to refrain from sharing any alarming posts on social media.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

Very truly yours,

James J. Lavender
Superintendent of Schools

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