

May 12, 2023

Dear Pennsbury High School Families,

At approximately 11:00 p.m. tonight, we received several Safe2Say tips showing a screenshot from social media alleging a threat against the high school for Friday, May 12, 2023.

Falls Township Police were notified and are investigating the source of the threat. Out of an abundance of caution, Pennsbury High School will have an asynchronous (no live instruction) day for all high school students and staff on Friday, May 12, 2023.

Assignments are anticipated to be posted in Canvas by 12:00 p.m.

This information is begin shared via email and Pennsbury social media as of 12:15 a.m. A confirmation call and text will be set at 5:45 a.m.

As always, we are grateful for our partnerships with our local police departments. We truly appreciate their swift action in this case and their efforts to ensure our students and staff are safe.

Sincerely,

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Dear Pennsbury Community,

I am writing to update you on a situation that unfolded in the overnight hours. We received several tips through Safe2Say, including screenshots alleging a non-specific threat against Pennsbury High School. We understand that other high schools in the area received the same or similar threat. Falls Township police and other local police departments are investigating to track down the source of the threat.

As a result, we opted to move an asynchronous instruction day for PHS students today, Friday, May 12, meaning no live instruction. There is no indication that this threat involved any other schools.

Information regarding the alleged threat was sent to PHS families via email and posted to District social media accounts overnight, and we followed up with a confirmation phone call and text message early this morning.

We strive to provide accurate and timely communications to keep district families informed in an emergency situation. As part of our ongoing efforts to improve communication with our district families, we are launching our Pennsbury App as well as Blackboard REACH (replacing Remind.) The Pennsbury School District App is available through the App Store and Google Play. Search for "Pennsbury School District." The PSD app is required to utilize REACH. Specific REACH instructions will be provided at a later date.

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