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Dear Pennsbury High School Community,

We are writing to update you on the possible threat that was made overnight on social media. We have identified the students who posted the comments. The students were interviewed and indicated that the posting was “a joke.” The police confirmed the students had no plan or access to weapons of any kind. Regardless of intent, the students will be held accountable.

Fortunately, this situation had a favorable conclusion; however, given the issues we face in schools today, we must take everything seriously. In this case, valuable police and school resources were dedicated to investigating “a joke” rather than providing needed support to our school and community.

Please support us by having conversations with your children and helping them understand the appropriate use of their cell phones and the power of what they say online.

We are including resources (below) that we use in our middle school digital citizenship class to help facilitate these conversations. Information about our annual internet safety program for parents will be shared next week.

Please reach out to either of us if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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Resources:

- [Talk to Your Kids](#)
- [Common Sense Media - Cell Phones and Devices](#)
- [Digital Safety Resources](#)

Pennsbury uses [Safe2Say](#), an anonymous tip line, to alert us to any individual who may be struggling and/or in danger of causing harm to themselves or others. Every tip is investigated.

MISSION

Recognizing our proud traditions and diverse community, the Pennsbury School District prepares all students to become creative, ethical, and critical thinkers for lifelong success in a global society.