Southmoreland School District



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Dear Parents and Guardians:

The Southmoreland 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 regarding school safety for schools in the United States 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 it is not known if the threat is credible, we are closely monitoring the situation and taking it seriously.

Additionally, the District has been in contact with our School Police regarding the post. As always, we will have our school police present in our buildings.

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 or trusted adult immediately.

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

Respectfully,

Vincent Mascia,

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