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Mr. Jeffrey T. Soles
Superintendent of Schools

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Parents,

The information below was shared with the District from Deputy Secretary Fuller.

Dear School Leader,

Earlier today, the Pennsylvania State Police announced that it is investigating a series of phone calls made to 9-1-1 centers about schools across the Commonwealth alleging threats of active shooter situations or bomb threats. So far, all claims in these calls have been determined to be false. The Pennsylvania Department of Education is working collaboratively with our school safety partners at the Pennsylvania State Police regarding these so-called "swatting" incidents, which present a disruption to the learning environment in our schools and impact the overall educational atmosphere of our communities. The Pennsylvania State Police continues to investigate, and the safety of students, staff, and our school communities is the top priority as we work across agencies to support our local school entities managing these incidents. The Pennsylvania Department of Education encourages all school entities and communities to follow the recommendations of the Pennsylvania State Police and local law enforcement agencies and continue to adhere to all school safety protocols regarding any potential threat to the safety of students and staff.

Thank you for all that you do to support the safety of your students and staff. Do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions.

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Sincerely,

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